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The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

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INSPIRATIONAL! Amazing Ben is a living miracle



LEFT: Ben is back in Rhose – and Lisa said: "It's where he belongs, and we can start living our happy ever after."

by GEM REPORTER

A superfit Rhose man who suffered a serious illness, endured a coma, and ended up being paralysed down one side of his body, returned home last week – after a courageous battle to regain his health.

Ben Stradling (37), a member of the Vale Council's recycling team and a keen surfer, had contracted a serious strain of meningitis.

On October 31, relieved friends and family gathered in the village to welcome him home.

His sister Anna told The GEM: "On Halloween, Ben was able to return to the flat he shares with his fiancée

Lisa Turner, following 10 months in hospital.

"Ben, who is normally seen running with the council recycling lorries, tragically caught a serious strain of meningitis on January 4 this year.

"He spent a month in an induced coma and has been in Rookwood hospital since March."

Ben had to undergo an intense rehabilitation programme because the illness triggered a stroke, paralysing the left hand side of his body.

Anna said he had shown an indomitable spirit, which included regaining his ability to walk, so he could cope when he returned home.

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Barry Soroptimists in the pink for cancer charity!



President Jeni seated with four of the members who have been treated for breast cancer.

AT their October supper meeting, members of Soroptimist International Barry and District wore pink – to raise awareness of breast cancer.

This disease now affects one in eight women and, with a membership of 42, the club is well aware of this statistic.

Five of its members have been diagnosed, and the husband of one of these members was also treated for breast cancer.

Members made a small donation which raised £65. This will be donated to

Breakthrough Breast Cancer, a charity dedicated to improving the lives of those affected by breast cancer.

Breakthrough also lobbies for the best treatments for all patients.

Although survival rates for breast cancer are improving, there are nearly 50,000 new cases each year and over 1,000 people die from breast cancer each month.

For more information on Breakthrough, visit www.breakthrough.org.uk.

To find out more about us visit www.sigbi.org/barry-and-district. CD

Demolition on Island!

An application for the demolition of the site at Barry Island Pleasure Park has been submitted to the Vale Council; site owners Hilco and Ian Rogers plan a redevelopment.

Local MP Alun Cairns said: "I have spoken with the landlords regarding the Pleasure Park application. The notification of a plan to seek demolition and clearing of the site is part and parcel of an overall scheme to get the site developed and to put a plan in place."

"I am in regular dialogue with the landlords, having met them recently, and I have arranged to sit down with them again in the next few weeks, to hear more about their proposals."

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NHS pay versus MPs' expenses

IN last week's **GEM** came another attack on the Welsh NHS by our local MP; this Conservative-led Coalition government seem to have only one defence for the mess they are making of running the NHS in England – and that's to attack the Welsh NHS.

In his article, Mr Cairns writes he is criticising the politicians (Welsh Labour) and the bureaucrats – not the committed, hard-working doctors, nurses and support staff.

Here, a minister in the Government praises

the hard work and dedication of NHS staff but seems happy to deny them a measly one per cent pay rise recommended by an independent pay review body.

This would cost £450 million a year. Yet 650 MPs of all parties managed to claim £103 million in expenses in one year.

They will also get a 10 per cent pay rise to top up the £1,250 a week they already get.

They say they will be forced to take this rise and cannot refuse it, as it was recommended by an independent pay review body!

G Smith, Llantwit Major.

'Who damaged my parked car?'

IPARKED my car in Waitrose car park prior to shopping there on Thursday, October 23 and also on Saturday, October 25.

Which date is applicable is irrelevant as the culprit concerned will know when it was.

As a mostly lone driver, I rarely use the nearside front door of the car, as I garage it as soon as I get home and empty the boot from there.

However, on October 27, I went to the garage to get some tools and

glanced at my car (which is my pride and joy and probably the only one I shall ever have).

I was shocked and upset to see horrible and muddy grazing on the front wing.

I cleaned the dirt off, which improved the look somewhat, but the wing is pulled away from the body, which obviously needs expert attention.

I can't believe someone can quite happily damage someone else's car and drive away without reporting an accident.

Carol Hollings, Cowbridge.

INCONSIDERATE CAR PARKING

HAVING tried to park in Barry Library car park on numerous occasions, at all times of the day over the last year, I have witnessed the leaving of cars down the centre of the car park.

This is totally inconsiderate and dangerous, due to drivers returning and getting into heated rows with each other, twice almost developing into fights.

I have contacted the council, but still nothing has been done to solve this issue. Many more people must have seen this happen and I hope these parking problems can be solved.

Mark Edwards, Barry.

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HOUSING: moment of truth for Cowbridge?

COWBRIDGE is fast approaching a crucial point in its long history. Last week every household in the town and surrounding area received a leaflet 'Land at North West Cowbridge' from the UK developer Commercial Estates Group (CEG).

The leaflet sets out CEG's vision for building 390 new homes on the Darren Farm site, with comforting images of the 'character of Cowbridge'.

What the leaflet leaves out is any reference to the fact that this developer is intending to put in an application for the Darren Farm site before the Welsh Government inspector is able to consider the future of Cowbridge as part of the 2015-16 year-long inquiry into the Vale of Glamorgan Council's LDP.

Let's be clear what is at stake for the development of Cowbridge.

If the LDP inspector is able to examine all the council's proposals for 390 houses at Darren Farm, 130 houses on the St Athan Road and 20 houses on the site of Cowbridge Comprehensive School's old sixth form block, then the town gets the immense benefit of an independent quasi-judicial assessment by a professional Welsh Government inspector of what constitutes overall proportionate, sustainable new housing development for the town.

If, on the other hand, CEG jumps the gun with a premature planning application to the Vale Council and succeeds, then Cowbridge has lost the unique opportunity of having its overall needs properly assessed.

It has to be pointed out that the Vale Council has

'Airbrushed version of a new Cowbridge?'

NOW that the Primrose Hill Appeal has been rejected, we should expect more pressure for other developments to proceed.

Cowbridge residents should have received an invitation from Beattie Communications to an exhibition to promote the Darren Farm development.

This will be held at Cowbridge Town Hall on November 13 between 4pm and 8pm and at Llandow Village Hall on November 14 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

You will be presented with an idealised and airbrushed version of New Cowbridge with all of the negative elements discreetly swept under the carpet.

I think it will be presented as *fait accompli*, with the first houses due to be completed by 2016, an unlikely event, since the LDP has yet to be decided and no planning application has been

submitted.

Much will be made of the improvement to traffic flow, due to the new link road to the bypass, but there will be no mention of the extra traffic in Cowbridge due to the schools being at the other end of the town – not to mention shopping trips.

There is mention of a school in the development, but given the restraints on the education budget, who is going to run it?

I do urge local people to visit the exhibition and see for themselves what the impact on the town will be and imagine the vista to the west if the plan goes ahead.

The Wales Planning Bill is also progressing and this looks as if it will take all power on planning for major developments to the Assembly. This means that local people will have even less say on what happens in their area than they do now.

Alec Trousdell, Llanblethian.

already pre-empted the LDP inspector's inquiry by using planning loopholes to approve a series of premature planning applications for LDP sites in the rural Vale villages, with another two LDP sites pending in Colwinston and Wick. Darren Farm is another LDP site and Cowbridge is an integral part of the rural Vale.

Furthermore, it is well known that this council has been very reluctant to refuse any of these recent applications for LDP sites, because it fears losing appeals by developers.

This is potentially the moment when the character of this historic town is irreparably damaged. This is the moment for leadership from locally elected representatives, especially the Cowbridge ward county councillors, Alun Cairns MP and AMs Jane Hutt and Andrew RT Davies. Where are they at such a critical time for the town?

If CEG is so confident of its case for Darren Farm and it really places such a high store on the character of Cowbridge, then it should respect the right of every resident in the Cowbridge area to whom it sent a leaflet to have the future of this jewel in the Welsh crown set by the independent LDP inspector, and not by the present Vale Council.

Paul Jeremy, Ystradowen.

'Cowbridge faces over-development'

Heaven help the people of Cowbridge if land development to the north-west of the town is given the go-ahead.

A total of 390 houses, could mean 1,500 to 1,800 more people and 700 cars.

The ease of booking appointments with the local doctor is likely to become a nightmare – the traffic through Cowbridge a major problem with parking, and another possible 700 schoolchildren.

C Wilkins, Welsh St Donats.

Be safe when the lightning strikes

Iwrite with regard to RP Sheppard's letter in The GEM on October 30, concerning lightning strike damage to customers' telephone equipment.

I would point out that in the 1950s and 1960s, it was the practice of Post Office Telephones, the forerunner of BT, to fit quick-blow fuses into telephone circuits within certain subscribers' premises that were fed by overhead telephone lines, so as to provide protection against damage from lightning strike.

It seems this practice was discontinued

because lightning strikes upon overhead telephone lines were considered to be rare.

Of course, within the telephone exchanges, each circuit is protected by quick blow fuses.

During my time as an electrician and telecommunications technician, whenever I lived in a house fed by an overhead telephone line, I would insert into the circuit quick-blow fuses fitted into a small box plugged in series between the BT socket and telephone.

Never mind lightning strike damage to the phone, I wasn't prepared to risk serious injury while talking on the phone during a thunderstorm!

Anthony Bright, Penarth.

'Put effort into Barry link roads'

INOTED in the latest 'Barry Chronicle', Alun Cairns' disappointment in being let down over regeneration money.

He states that funds have been sent to Bridgend, Newport and Port Talbot, but whose job is it to fight for Barry town and its people? The biggest project that seems to be going on is an ASDA, and link road to the island.

How about putting some effort into the link roads into Barry from Cardiff?

In the 1880s, David Davies built this town from nothing. He had vision. Today, there is a motorway, railway, a labour force and there must be 400 acres of land doing nothing.

More than what the other three towns mentioned have, we have an airport. Mr Davies must turn in his grave at what is going on today.

Murray Crichton, Barry.

'WATCH OUT FOR THESE SCAMS'

IAM writing to tell people about a life insurance 'scam'. My wife and I took out life insurance 20 years ago and after reaching 85, it stopped.

So we asked for the money owed – between the both of us, we were conned for £1,700.

I would like to warn people about another insurance 'rip-off'.

After reaching 60, I would suggest a funeral plan, not insurance.

I would hate to think what hospital insurance costs would be if we lose the NHS, so be careful where you put your cross next year.

Bill Lang, Barry.

Appeal to old shipmates...

IAM very confident, that readers of The GEM will again respond to this appeal.

The Royal Naval Electrical Branch Association was formed to seek out those who served in the Royal Navy dealing with any electrical, radio, radar or computer installations on Royal Navy ships or shore establishments, and reunite them with

their old shipmates. The association has just had a fantastic reunion and the next one is now being organised. Go to the Association website, www.rneba.org.uk, to see photos of past reunions and download an application form.

Mike Crowe, Royal Naval Electrical Branch Association, 7 Heath Road, Sandown, Isle of Wight PO36 8PG

HIGH TIDE TIMES (UNTIL NOVEMBER 13)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 – 25 minutes later.

DATE	Time AM	Ht M	Time PM	Ht M
06 Thur	05.25	10.1	17.50	10.2
07 Fri	06.13	10.3	18.36	10.3
08 Sat	06.56	10.2	19.15	10.1
09 Sun	07.35	9.9	19.56	9.8
10 Mon	08.14	9.7	20.33	9.6
11 Tues	08.52	9.5	21.11	9.0
12 Wed	09.27	8.9	21.51	8.5
13 Thur	10.08	8.4	22.37	7.9

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'GRABBING LIFE WITH BOTH HANDS!' Barry woman's trek through Escambray Mountains in aid of Breast Cancer Care

A woman from Barry, who recovered from a life-threatening disease, leaves for Cuba tomorrow (Friday, November 7) to undertake a mountain trek to raise vital funds for Breast Cancer Care.

by GEM REPORTER

Elaine Nicholas will be accompanied by her friend, Sue Youngman from Cardiff. Elaine Nicholas told The GEM: "In the past, we both experienced getting the devastating news that we had breast cancer and having our lives changed forever. "The treatment was tough, but we got through it and it made us stronger, more courageous and more compassionate to the

pain of others. Looking back, both Sue and I genuinely believe that our experience has had a positive impact on our lives. We've been given a second chance and we're grabbing it with both hands. "The trek is a celebration of our recovery and we are really excited to be going as it's been a dream for a couple of years."

Elaine and Sue, who met when they became Breast Cancer Care volunteers, have undertaken a training regime in recent weeks to give them the confidence to take on a mountain range in Cuba. "We've done a lot of walking in the Brecon Beacons and the Wye

Valley. A recent weekend away in the Brecon Beacons was challenging but enjoyable. "We have been training really hard walking between 19 kms and 22 kms most weekends, as well as trying to fit in time for fundraising.

"This is a huge challenge for us, both mentally and physically. We will be trekking for a distance of 73 kilometres over five days. "It means walking between six and eight hours a day. We will be trekking from Havana to Trinidad, through the Escambray Mountains. "The terrain will be undulating and tough going. We will be bathing in waterfalls and sleeping in haciendas!

"We are both self-funding the trek, which means all the money we raise will go 100 per cent to the charity. "We have chosen to raise funds for Breast Cancer Care because their services were a great support to us when we were diagnosed. "Breast Cancer Care is the only UK wide charity providing specialist support and expert information for anyone affected by breast cancer."

If anyone would like to sponsor the ladies, go to: www.justgiving.com/ubantrek



ABOVE: Elaine (left) and Sue are fully prepared for their Cuban challenge.

TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC IN BARRY

WHY not bring the grandchildren to The Senior Health Shop, Holton Road, Barry on Saturday, November 5 from 10am to 12 midday and join in Age Connect Cardiff and Vale Teddy Bears' Picnic and coffee morning?

There will be wide range of new and good quality children's clothes with very reasonable prices, as well as toys and soft toys.

Admission is free and all children will receive a free lolly. There will be refreshments available, cake stall and a raffle. All proceeds will go to Age Connect Senior Health Shop. Donations of toys and clothes for the event will be greatly appreciated. Contact 01446 732385. GF

Fun quiz for charity

BARRY'S Wyndham Conservative Club at Harbour Road is hosting a fun quiz night (with quizmaster Norman Pereira) in its upstairs lounge on Saturday, November 15, from 7.30pm, in aid of Help for Heroes.

Tickets are available from steward Richard Alexander (07791069185 or 01446 735319) at £6 per person (tables of up to six), including a sausage and chips supper.

GIG IS A SUCCESS

'GIGS Bach y Fro' was launched by Menter Bro Morgannwg on October 24, with a gig in the Windsor Arms in Penarth.

Al Lewis and Kizzy Crawford proved extremely popular, with over 90 people attending, and the tickets were sold out before the evening had even started! It was also great to have the S4C programme 'Heno' broadcasting live from the Windsor Arms on the night.

This was the first event in a calendar of music, poetry and comedy nights in Welsh which will be held around the Vale over the next year, and the next event will be a comedy night in Barry on February 13, 2015.

This project is organised in partnership between Menter Bro Morgannwg and Chwb lfor Bach, and funded by a 'Developing Audiences' grant by the Arts Council of Wales. FR

ROADWORKS AIM TO MAKE ROAD SAFER

A HIGHWAY safety improvement scheme is under way along a road that saw a pedestrian fatality over a year ago.

The work has been welcomed by local Plaid Cymru councillors as a contribution to making the main Dinas Powys to Barry road less dangerous.

There may be an element of traffic disruption along the main road while safety signs and traffic markings are installed this week.

Coun Chris Franks, Val Hartrey and Keith Hutton have been campaigning for some time to see improvements along the A4055 that sees up to 20,000 vehicles a day travel along the road.

Coun Franks said: "We have met with

officers a number of times to express concerns about the state of the road. Although this is a good start this work has to be carefully monitored to ensure that it is effective.

"The scheme comprises installation of new warning signs along the route incorporating gateway improvements on entry to the 30mph speed limit. There will be no physical changes to the road but the signs will reinforce the need to reduce speed and drive responsibly.

"The construction phase of the above works started on Thursday, October 30."

Coun Franks added: "The council warns that during the construction a certain amount of traffic disruption may occur along Cardiff Road, in the immediate vicinity of the works."

Society is prepared!

ON the afternoon of Tuesday, November 11 the members of the Barry Floral Society will be entertained to a Christmas demonstration with a French theme.

'Joyeux Noel' is the title of Arnaud Metaire's presentation (commencing at 2pm).

Ribbons, baubles, glitter, holly, ivy, chat and refreshment will find the flower ladies making their own Christmas decoration on Tuesday. JK

November 25 (2.15pm). The final meeting of 2014 is the society's annual Christmas exhibition/coffee morning; this will be held on Tuesday, December 2 (10.15am to 12 noon).

At this event a donation will be made to the club's chosen local charity. This year it is Ty Hapus, Barry.

All events are held at the St Nicholas Hall, St Nicholas Road, Barry. New members are always made welcome.

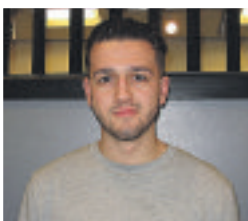
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Primary school pupils get taste of life at Barry Comprehensive



All action football on the AstroTurf.



Hands-on with the experts at rock school.

RECENTLY, Barry Comprehensive School welcomed year-5 pupils to an action-packed day to introduce them to the challenges and opportunities of 'big school'.

This year, the visitors attended a variety of musical sessions led by visiting experts. These included African drums, samba, ukuleles, rock school and an introduction to music technology.

A session on tablet computing gave the year-5s a chance to try out the latest technology.

On the sporting front, the boys had the opportunity to receive basketball coaching as well as play football, badminton and some fast-paced games of dodgeball.

The visiting pupils, who were ably looked after throughout the day by sixth form students, enjoyed an exciting first visit to Barry Comprehensive.

Ex-Air America pilot speaking to aviation society

AIR AMERICA, an airline secretly owned by the CIA, was a vital component in the agency's operations in Laos.

By the summer of 1970, the airline had some two dozen twin-engine transports, another two dozen short-take off-and-landing (STOL) aircraft, and 30 helicopters dedicated to operations in Laos. There were more than 300 pilots, co-pilots, flight mechanics and air freight specialists flying out of Laos and Thailand.

Ralph Arnesen was born in Brooklyn, New York, of parents who came to the USA. Ralph's mother came as a young girl and his father joined the US Army and became an American citizen.

In 1969, Ralph served in Vietnam flying Bell Huey helicopters out of

Saigon and then worked for Air America in Laos. Following that era Ralph flew helicopters in 'the bush', in Indonesia.

His illustrated talk will be filled with anecdotes and events leading up to working in Norway as a safety advisor and flying in the North Sea until retirement.

His illustrated talk will give a fascinating insight into flying in war zones, in clandestine situations and then peacetime flying.

Ralph Arnesen will be speaking to the society on Friday, November 7, at 8pm.

Visitors are welcome to attend but should contact the hon secretary for seating availability. A donation of £2 per head is requested.

Hon secretary: Mike Duxbury, tel (01446) 711482; mobile 07829 124353.

Barrie Howell



Getting to grips with music technology.

Ridgeway walk gives a glimpse of history

RACHEL and her group of 11 walkers from Penarth and District Ramblers began their journey from the 201-year old Siloh Chapel in the village of Gelligroe, which has stood through the Napoleonic Wars, the Industrial Revolution, two World Wars and where during a recent renovation project, the original stone fireplace with a tiny oven was discovered in the small manse beside the chapel.

This was also a birthday celebration for group member Clive, who along with the assembled throng was treated to a courgette and pistachio cake, baked by Rachel that was shared out, much to everyone's delight.

Taking the cycle track to Wyllie, they joined part of the Rhymney Valley Ridgeway Walk before following the Nant-y-Ffrwd stream to Coed Och-ddu, where they hacked their way through the bracken that had blocked the pathway.

Then, tramping through the autumnal-coloured Coed Margaret Shon, they paused for lunch below Mynydd Dimlaith before continuing on through rain by zig zagging uphill towards Mynydd y Grug.

A new gate at Ffynon-y-Gwaed Farm led them down to join the Sirhowy Valley Walk and through woodland back to Gelligroe for a celebratory drink in the local pub.

Nine walkers including leader Joy set off from the pretty village of St Briavels in Gloucestershire which encircles St Mary's Parish Church and the dominating twin-towered gatehouse of the 12th century castle, built as a fortress for

King John and now a youth hostel.

Descending by field to join muddy paths through woodland at Slade Bottom they reached Bream Cross before continuing by road into Barnard's Wood, then Rodmore Grove, both carpeted with sweet chestnuts.

Following lunch near Clanna Ponds, a muddy sunken lane led them through overgrown fields and up through woods to open meadows with fantastic views over the Severn Estuary before they moved on to Hewelsfield village for a quick visit to the 12th century church dedicated to St Mary Magdalene.

Entering fields beyond Hewelsfield Court and passing through a herd of frisky cattle, they tramped through fields back towards the Victorian school, with its unusual tall spire on the outskirts of the village after what had been a delightful day.

On November 8, a 10-mile moderate linear walk along the first section of the Wales Coast Path from Chepstow to Severn Junction, catching the 8.47am Penarth train or the 8.30am Barry train to board the 9.12am train to Chepstow on platform 2 at Cardiff Central Station. Contact Val on 029 2059 5791 or Terry on 029 2070 6315.

On November 11, meet at 9am at Cogan Leisure Centre for an eight-mile moderate walk at Tretower and Cwmdu near Crickhowell; contact William on 01446 747239

Wear suitable clothing, preferably boots and carry waterproofs, food and drinks. Some degree of fitness is required and if you are in any doubt, then please contact the walk leader for advice. Programmes and membership advice can be obtained from Pam on 029 2025 5102.

Joy Strangward

Highlight Park WI ladies celebrate 25th birthday



"Let them eat cake!"

HIGHLIGHT Park Women's Institute started the month of October with a lunch at St Athan Golf Club for their 25th birthday.

There were 54 members present, including five original members. Three

HIGHLIGHT PARK WI NEWS

members of the WI Federation were invited. It was a very enjoyable meal, finished off with the chairman cutting a birthday cake.

On the Tuesday meeting, we had slides of Cardiff and other

places, given by Mr Fred Davies, who entertained us all with his talk.

The month was finished with the Tuesday evening meeting, when Mrs Barbara Forte gave an amusing talk.

We had 10 new members at this meeting, so you can see we are a growing interesting and friendly club. If you would like to join us, we meet at Highlight Park Community Centre on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.15pm, you would be very welcome.

PAT WEAVERS



Judy James, Mary Tornabene, Norma Reynolds (membership officer), president Jeni, Melanie Carter, Jill Pearson, Janet Bateman and Pat Salt.

SOROPTIMISTS WELCOME THREE NEW MEMBERS

IN the past few months, the president of Soroptimist International Barry & District, Jeni Gower-Jones, has had the pleasure of welcoming three new members to the club.

The first to join was Jill Pearson, who was introduced by Janice Charles. Jill spent 23 years working for the NHS at Llandough and Velindre and then ran a business in High Street.

Pat Salt introduced Janet Bateman who she met when they both volunteered at Samaritans.

Janet, a mother to six daughters, returned to Barry after working in photography in Pembrokeshire and has recently retired as a carer.

Mary Tornabene, a retired accountant, was introduced by Judy James. Since retiring, Mary has built up her hobby of designing and making bespoke teddy bears, and has exhibited all over the world.

She also runs a teddy bear

hospital. Mary's other love is baking and with her daughter has started 'The Must Have Cake Company'.

The club is also pleased to have another prospective member in Melanie Carter.

Melanie has recently retired from ValePlus - a centre for people with learning difficulties she set up with Steve Thomas, which the club has raised funds for in the past.

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Rotary Club meet Macmillan

A PRESENTATION was given by 'We are Macmillan Cancer Support,' to the Rotary Club of Dinas Powys. Macmillan is one of president Colin Jones' selected charities for fundraising during his year as president.

Rebecca Parke, their fundraising manager, gave an excellent presentation which included two short videos. These provided the members with an excellent idea of the full range of assistance and services provided by this superb organisation.

Rebecca was accompanied by Anita Braine, a fundraising



Rebecca Parke receiving thanks from club president Colin Jones with Colin's wife Jacqui and Anita Braine.

volunteer speaker. The club heard of the wide range of support that is offered to those suffering from cancer, being there not just for patients, but carers, families and communities as well as funding nurses, other health care professionals

and building cancer centres. 'We are Macmillan Cancer Support' extends to include providing information on treatment, advice on benefits available, as well as the hands on care of the Macmillan Nurses themselves. Members of

the club were able to speak and give their thanks on the wonderful care their families had received from 'We are Macmillan', where their own close family had been affected by cancer.

A vote of thanks was given by Rotarian Spiro Tanti.

Former Barry couple celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary

FORMER Barry couple Derek and Sheila Hart have celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary.

Their daughter Gill Hart-Molloy told The GEM: "My parents now live at Chatsworth Road, St Annes, but lived in Barry for over 56 years and still have friends in the area."

"They were members of Barry Yacht Club for much of that time. They lived in Borough Avenue, Lidmore Road, and latterly, Trem-y-don before moving to Lytham St Annes to be near me and my family."

"We celebrated with a party for family and friends on October 25."

Derek told The GEM that the couple first met during the war, moving to Barry in 1949.

He explained: "In 1942, I was 17 and got a job in the laboratory at a small factory in Radcliffe, north Manchester, making 'bakelite type' moulding powders."

"It was part of what today would be called a business park. Sheila had an office in the sheet metal works."

"The first time I saw her, a beautiful blonde with a happy, smiling face, I took a shine to her."

"We were soon out dancing on Saturday nights. I was keen on cycling and I suspected we were getting closer when she bought a bike!"

"The wartime roads were traffic free and we had some pleasant bike trips – one to Southport, I remember."

"Sadly this stopped when I was conscripted in November 1943, but the romance continued and a lucky posting to Huddersfield for training gave me opportunities to sneak out and cadge a lift back to Radcliffe."

"Any lorry driver would pick up a soldier though it sometimes meant a long wait for one. Not having a pass out, I had to return in civvies to avoid military police at Victoria



Station. Climbing back into camp was no problem."

Derek and Sheila's wartime romance had to overcome a number of further obstacles.

"A posting to Epping put an end to our meetings."

"I was then notified of a 14 day embarkation leave and during that time we became officially engaged and had thoughts of marriage – with little encouragement from Sheila's maiden aunts who said 'what if he comes back with bits missing, or not at all?'"

Arrangements for the wedding were in jeopardy when Derek was recalled due to the rescheduling of a convoy.

"I swiftly arranged to see my Commanding Officer who was most sympathetic and allowed me a 48 hour pass!"

"The activity was like a beehive in springtime! We were married the day after I returned on the October 25, 1944."

"Sheila's mother altered her sister Joyce's dress and I borrowed her brother-in-law Bert's morning suit, I

didn't want to marry in khaki uniform."

"After the ceremony at St John's Church, Radcliffe we had a reception at the Co-Op. The next day I had to leave on a troopship for Burma and I didn't see Sheila for three long years until August 1947."

"Churchill wanted to keep us out there for another year but a parade of mainly Lancashire ladies – my mother and Sheila included – petitioned 10 Downing Street with banners flying, and may have changed his mind."

So how did Derek and Sheila end up moving to south Wales?

"After the war, I returned to my previous post of control chemist at the Radcliffe factory of British Resin Products and learned that a new plant was to be based in Barry and we would have to close."

"I am the surviving member of the four man team of key workers who chose to move to Barry, Alfred Withington, technical manager, and two foremen Bob Mather and George McFarland in 1949. Sheila and our daughter Kathryn soon

joined me. The plant later became part of the BP empire in 1967."

"We lived in Barry for 56 years where our second daughter, Gillian, was born. We returned to Lancashire in 2006 to be near her and the family."

Derek added: "Sadly almost five years ago Sheila suffered a severe stroke, and since then I have been her full-time carer, assisted by professional carers, who attend four times a day, with support from family who live close by."

PUPILS LEARN ABOUT HOMELESSNESS WORK



YEAR-9 pupils at Bryn Hafren School received a visit from Llamau recently and took part in group discussions.

The pupils have been studying homelessness in their English lessons and the Llamau visit was a really useful insight into their topic said Ms Bashir, an English teacher.

"I think it's very important for young people to be aware of social issues and their rights and responsibilities; hopefully this workshop has raised their awareness of

homelessness in their local area."

One of the year-9 pupils who took part said: "It was a very interesting and important workshop to learn about Llamau. I think it is important that I know about the help going on around my area."

The pupils took the opportunity to thank Llamau for visiting Bryn Hafren and helping them on their school project.

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Police appeal after Penarth car is stolen

DETECTIVES investigating an incident in Penarth when a car was stolen, are asking for any witnesses to come forward.

At about 10pm on Thursday, October 30, the victim was parked in the car park at Cosmeston Country Park when he was apparently approached by two men, who asked him to get out of his car.

The car, a blue BMW 323i convertible, was then driven off in the direction of Barry and was later found abandoned in the Ely

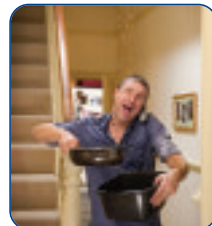
area of Cardiff.

The male suspects are described as being around 6ft tall and of slight build. One man was believed to have been wearing a scarf around the lower half of his face.

Anyone with information who saw the car being abandoned in Ely, is asked to contact South Wales Police on 101 quoting reference number 1400407296.

Alternatively, Crimestoppers can be contacted, free and anonymously, on 0800 555 111; or via their website at: www.crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information.

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Barry cadets enjoy dragon boat racing!



The cadets of 372 – Ellie Poulakis is under the paddles!



Barry Scouts hone their nautical skills

SIXTY-FIVE Scouts from most of the Scout groups in Barry passed their nautical skills badge after training on Barry Docks.

Training was provided by a team of instructors and activities included rowing, power boating, capsizing drill in a kayak, kayaking skills, knotting, learning the parts of a boat and line throwing.

Most of the Barry Scout Groups were represented including 1st Penmark, 2nd/4th Barry, 5th Barry, 6th Barry and 11th Barry.

District commissioner Chris Parsons said: "This was a great event, thanks to the hard work by all the leaders and instructors. Our Scouts were able to experience water activities, have fun and gain an important Scout badge."

A prize is on offer for naming former hotel



ABOVE: A computer-generated image of the proposed housing development at the former Marine Hotel, Barry Island.

NEWYDD Housing Association is asking residents to name the Marine Hotel housing development on Barry Island for a cash prize.

To be in with a chance of winning £50 for naming this new £2.4m development of 20 apartments, Newydd is looking for a name that encompasses the whole scheme, perhaps based on a local connection or a historic interest.

The historic site of the former Marine Hotel was secured by Newydd in October 2013 with support from the Vale Council. The site is of historical significance, having been built in 1850 by Francis Crawshaw, a keen yachtsman, and somewhat eccentric.

The beds in the hotel were bunks, as on board a ship, and access to the upper floors was by iron ladders. Due to increased competition from public houses on the island in the 1950s, its use began to diminish and parts of the original hotel were demolished to reduce costs.

Detailed proposals for the new development, to be built by locally-based contractor Pendragon Design and Build, include retaining the traditional 19th century design of the Marine Hotel structure and converting it to five one-bedroom and three two-bedroom apartments.

The existing car parking area to the rear of the building is being

reorganised to offer an additional 12 one-bedroom apartments for rent.

To be eligible to win you must live in the Barry area and entries must be received by Wednesday, December 3. Entries can be emailed to Alex Knight on alex.knight@newydd.co.uk or sent to Alex Knight, Newydd, 5 Village Way, Tongwynlais CF15 7NE. Newydd Housing Association welcomes applications in particular from tenants already living in social housing looking to downsize into these one and two-bed properties. Interested applicants would need to be a member of HOMES4U, the local housing register; application forms can be requested from the Vale of Glamorgan Council. Properties will be available from spring 2015 and will be advertised in the local papers early in the New Year.

Children enjoy a half-term break

DURING the half-term holidays, the Vale Council-led Barry Communities First, in partnership with Gibbonsdown Children's Centre, ran a free three-day camp for children.

The camp was organised by Communities First volunteers, funded by the Vale Volunteer Bureau's 'Dish Out Dosh' young person's project. The project aims to help young people in the Vale to set up youth based projects that have a community benefit.

A total of 33 children took part in a range of activities, including arts and crafts, music workshops laid on by Raw Rock Academy and a trip to the Wales Millennium Centre to

watch a show and have a tour.

One parent said: "The children really enjoyed themselves and had a lovely day out at the Bay. The staff were fab and it was nice for the children to have something to do during the holidays while I was working."

Holly Morgan, Communities First Transition Officer said: "It was great to see so many children getting involved in this project. I would like to give a special thanks to Dish Out Dosh and the hard-working volunteers for their commitment and dedication. Without them this wouldn't have been possible."

For more information on Barry Communities First, contact us on 01446 709432 or visit www.BarryCommunitiesFirst.org.

BARRY MEN'S FORUM NEWS The Newport Medieval Ship

THE speaker at last week's Barry Men's Forum was Dr Toby Jones, curator of the Newport Ship, and the only archaeologist left on the restoration and investigation of the ship, built in 1449 in the Basque area and found in the river Usk in 2002.

The ship was unearthed while building the Newport Theatre and Arts Centre, and by the most bizarre of incidences, at the exact location of the orchestra pit. The contractors drove sheet piling down 10 metres when they were excavating the hole within the coffer dam. They located the remains of a ship seven metres under the ground.

When it was carefully excavated, it was found the ship, which was 35m long, was almost exactly in the centre of the dam, with just a small section of the bow and stern outside.

Newport Council declared it was of no significance and instructed it be destroyed, so the centre could go ahead.

However, the people

of Newport thought differently, and by blockading the site and setting about a publicity campaign to 'Save our Ship' the Welsh Assembly stepped in and provided funds to investigate it.

The result of over 12 years' work, was an extremely interesting and arresting story. Although much has been identified about this vessel, and its contents, which were so well preserved in the mud, its actual name and owners have not yet been traced. So much has been discovered taking over 110,000 man-hours, it made an enthralling and interesting lecture.

The sad ending at the present time, of the 'Newport Ship', is that Newport Council are not planning to display it to its full potential for the public.

On Thursday, November 6, Group Captain Ron Powell will be speaking about 'The Battle of Britain'. The following week is the AGM.

The forum meet at Trinity Presbyterian Church Hall, Aberystwyth Crescent, every Thursday morning at 10.15am. New members are very welcome. PMW



Tom Browning, Kieran Bushell, Alex Spragg and Alex Cheeseley.

372 (BARRY) SQUADRON, Air Training Corps recently experienced the thrills, fun and excitement of Dragon Boat Racing, swapping the air for the waves to raise money for children's charity Bobath.

Bobath is a registered charity that provides specialist therapies to children throughout Wales who have cerebral palsy and needs to raise over £1million each year.

At Bobath the charity focuses on the ability and not the disability of the child, providing life changing specialist therapies and equipment.

Dragon boat racing is just one of the many fundraising events which the air cadets have enjoyed participating in with Bobath during the year.

The racing took place at Atlantic wharf in Cardiff against seven other teams.

The air cadet team nicknamed 'The Barry Flyers' comprised 10 paddlers and one drummer.

The racing took place over one day with the cadets participating in three races over the 250 metre stretch of water.

The three fastest teams went through to the Grand Final. Despite Ellie Poulakis banging the drum and shouting encouragement, the air

cadets just missed out on the final by four seconds! But the cadets did come in a creditable fifth place, improving their times with each race.

Cadet Alex Cheeseley said: "Although I got cold and wet, dragon boat racing was really funny. All the cadets were laughing at the end of each race. I can't wait for next year's event".

Flight Lieutenant John Greenow, Chairman of 372 Squadron and a volunteer with Bobath, said: "Yet again the cadets have worked hard and played hard during the day; the cadets had a great time and I am immensely proud of each and every cadet for their fundraising efforts".

The cadets who participated were: Jon Spragg, Jake Paterson, Rachel Carbis, Thomas Browning, Dominic Bushell, Kieran Bushell, Alex Cheeseley, Rhys Lewis, Gethin Lodge, Ellie Poulakis and Zena Poulakis.

The cadets now return to an action packed training programme of flying, gliding, shooting, team building exercises, sport, adventure training, trips, airshows and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme.

If you have a spirit for adventure, 372 (Barry) Squadron has vacancies for boys and girls between 12-18 years old. The Squadron parade on Mondays and Wednesdays 7pm - 9.30pm, behind Adams Funeral Parlour or phone the Squadron on 01446 747734, email oc.372@aircadets.org or visit www.372squadron.org for more information about joining the Squadron.

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WHAT'S ON - News in brief

History society meeting
THE next meeting of the Dinas Powys Local History Society will be held on Tuesday, November 11 in Kynance Hall at 7.30pm.

There will be an illustrated talk by Gwyn McGuire on Cardiff Docks. An entrance fee of £1.50 for members and £3 for non-

members will be charged. All are very welcome to attend; enquiries to Betty Williams on 02920 513524.

Shadows Club
NOVEMBER 11, Penarth Conservative Club, Stanwell Road (02920 309979); South Wales Shadows Club meeting, 8pm. All welcome.



The Mayor of the Vale, COUN Howard Hamilton, met boxing club regulars.

HOMELESS BOXING CLUBS IN A PLEA TO THE MAYOR

THE Mayor of the Vale, COUN Howard Hamilton, last week visited the Barry Windsor Hotel to meet members of Barry East and West End Boxing Clubs who have been asked to vacate their current training venue following the closure of the

historic Brains pub.

Both clubs adopted these premises when they were asked to vacate their previous venues of The Admiral and Romilly School respectively.

The clubs are facing an uncertain future and are appealing for a venue to store equipment such as gloves, punch-bags and the boxing ring (which can be flat packed).

However, in future terms a permanent, modest venue would be required.

Speaking on behalf of the club, assistant coach, youth mentor and PE teacher Gerwyn Pugh stated: "We were very grateful to have the mayor support us tonight, along with a prodigy of Barry East End Boxing Club, Lee Selby and our regular members.

"Many adults are

quick to blame children and youths for being 'anti-social' these days, but as a community we often let them down by not providing enough 'hang out' facilities for them.

"I am appealing to the people of Barry for your help in lobbying our officers and town leaders to provide something with social, value-added benefit. I would also appeal to the Vale Council to aid us

in finding a venue without the excuse of times being austere and budgets being strained. Surely we need to be nurturing youths to enable them to feel a pride for their town."

Ben is a miracle!



ABOVE: Family and friends were thrilled to see Ben back home in Rhosoe and had put up a special 'Welcome Home' banner.

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Anna continued: "Ben was never to be defeated and has always remained positive. His hard work has paid off. He has re-learned how to walk and completed his goal of walking up and down stairs so he could return to his flat.

"His next goal is to get fitter and stronger with the ultimate aim of returning to work. He also wants to be able to get back to surfing.

"Ben is a living miracle and an inspiration to other people on how they should never give up."

Ben's family and friends were thrilled to see him back home and had even put up a 'Welcome Home' banner at the entrance to the flats.

Lisa said: "It has been a tough 10 months, but he's home now - where he belongs, and we can now start living our happy ever after."

Barry Soroptimists in the pink for cancer charity!

AT their October supper meeting, members of Soroptimist International Barry and District wore pink to raise awareness of breast cancer.

This disease now affects one in eight women and, with a membership of 42, the Club is well aware of this statistic. Five

of its members have been diagnosed, and the husband of one of these members was also treated for breast cancer.

Members made a small donation which raised £65. This will be donated to Breakthrough Breast Cancer, a charity dedicated to improving the lives of those affected by breast cancer.

Breakthrough also lobbies for the best treatments for all

patients.

Although survival rates for breast cancer are improving, there are nearly 50,000 new cases each year and over 1,000 people die from breast cancer each month. For more information on Breakthrough, visit www.breakthrough.org.uk.

To find out more about us visit www.sigbi.org/barry-and-district. CD

Bethesda chapel marks happy 50th anniversary!



Community Council Chair Chris Franks with Dawn Loney at the JAFFA stall.

ST HELEN'S CHURCH ANNUAL BAZAAR

ST HELEN'S Church in Barry is holding its annual bazaar at the Barry Memorial Hall on Saturday, November 15.

Doors open at 1.30pm, admission 50p. As well as the usual traditional 'bazaar' stalls such as gifts, china and glass, books, refreshments, bric-a-brac, jewellery etc there will be games for the children - also Mrs Christmas will be paying a visit.

THERE was a wide range of displays at the Bethesda celebrations in Dinas Powys, highlighting the many activities at the chapel, which marked its 50th anniversary at Fair Oaks.

The church was founded in Dinas Powys in 1925, moving to its current location next to the library and Murch Junior School in 1964.

Member of the Leadership team Roger Newberry said: "In addition to the chapel area, used for Sunday services, the facilities include a coffee shop area, sports hall/function area, and a number of meeting rooms used for various activities for people aged 0 to 100!

The chapel is the base for the Dinas Powys Foodbank. There's even a group named Twinkles, especially organised for the many sets of twins that Dinas Powys is blessed with!"

There are many child and young person's groups including the JAFFA club. This stands for Jesus A Friend For All, led by Dawn Loney who visits the Murch School and St Andrews Schools organising activities. Each Friday, there are clubs for children in years 5 - 8 and later in the evening for older children.

COUN Franks opened the proceedings with a reading from the Psalms: "There's a great deal going on at Bethesda. It is a very busy, lively church," he remarked.

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HOLTON PRIMARY'S AUTUMN THEME – HELPING OTHERS



Rev C Jones with year-6 pupils.

PUPILS are regarded as important stakeholders at Holton Primary "because we believe their future can be influenced by the experiences they have in school."

This term, pupils throughout the school have been working to support local and national charities. The produce displayed (totalling 115kgs in weight) was donated to the Vale Foodbank, a local charity that provides food parcels to families in need.

CARDIFF CROWN COURT ROUND-UP with AJ SICLUNA

Suspended sentence given for attack on two police officers

A YOUNG man who was seen threatening to cut his throat and who later attacked two police officers has been jailed for nine months, the sentence suspended for two years, and made subject to a supervision order for two years at Cardiff Crown Court.

Kyle Sulman, 23, of Holton Road, Barry, had admitted possessing an offensive weapon and two charges of assault.

Recorder Elwen Evans, QC, said that Sulman had been in custody for a month.

"It is accepted you threatened no one with the knife, which you held to your own throat."

The time he had spent in custody, she said, had had a significant impact on Sulman.

Prosecutor Julian Greenwood said that on September 29, a teenage girl saw Sulman sitting on a bin in George Street, Barry, crying and holding a

kitchen knife to his throat.

She approached Sulman and asked him for the knife. He responded by saying: "I need it so I can end my life."

He said his girlfriend had finished with him because she regarded him as paranoid.

He calmed down and was about to hand her the knife when someone shouted at him.

Five police officers later went to his flat, where he became violent and kicked a woman police officer in the groin, and tried to head butt another.

He was handcuffed and his legs were restrained.

Mr Greenwood said: "He told officers he had wanted to cut his throat and would have gone through with it. He attacked the police, he said to 'get rid of his anger'."

His solicitor, Adan Sharp, said Sulman was likely to be evicted from his accommodation because the incident involved a knife.

Sulman was also ordered to carry out 200 hours unpaid work, and to take part in a thinking skills course.

Barry woman (19) gets her 'last chance'

A DRUG addict who breached a suspended sentence for offences of violence by shoplifting has been given a community order for a year at Cardiff Crown Court.

Jade Miller (19) of Treharne Road, Barry, had been convicted of a charge of theft.

She was also in breach of a two-year suspended sentence for causing actual bodily harm and wounding with intent.

Prosecutor David Pugh said that Miller was caught shoplifting at Boots in the centre of Cardiff when she took property worth £225.

Security staff in the premises saw her and a man taking toiletries and food and leave without paying.

The offences of violence, he said, involved her attacking a man, using a stiletto heel as a weapon.

The victim suffered cuts to his head and reduced vision.

Her counsel, Charley Patterson, said: "She has been a drug addict for some time and is now seeking help. Fortunately, her grandparents are committed to rehabilitating her."

She added: "It is time for her to grow up. She does not want to be in and out of prison, and the violent offences were a one-off."

Recorder Lloyd Jones said society and the defendant were best assisted by her trying to continue with the progress she was making.

She was made subject to a supervision order for a year and to take a nine-month drugs rehabilitation course.

She was also made subject to a 9pm to 7am curfew for four months, which will be electronically tagged.

"This is your last chance. Take this opportunity," she was told.

CREDIT UNION ADVICE SESSION

AGE Connect Cardiff and Vale is holding a session in the Senior Health Shop, at 38, Holton Road, Barry on Tuesday, November 11 from 10am to 12 midday, with an adviser from Cardiff and Vale Credit Union.

No appointment is needed. Contact 01446 732385 for further information.

Spooky goings on at local golf club!



ABOVE: The ladies of Cottrell Park Golf Club celebrating Halloween.

MACBETH was accosted by three witches but there was a whole coven at Cottrell Park Golf Club when the ladies section met for their Halloween feast.

More than 30 bats, witches, ghosts and ghouls were gathered for the feast, which took place in a dark, cobwebbed room, dimly lit with a few sputtering candles.

The Chief Witch, Patricia Davies, alter-ego is Kay Bradbury, who also endeavoured to keep order by giving

them tasks such as wrapping up a mummy and ducking for apples.

The photograph is of the motley crew most skilled at performing the Chief Witch's tasks and they won prizes made by the Chief Witch!

The most frightening creature was a graveyard ghoul, dressed in black with a silver mask and bones rattling on chains round its neck. Thankfully its alter-ego is Kay Bradbury, who also won a prize.

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MEET LOCAL BOBBIES AT PACT MEETINGS

COURT PACT public meeting at the Witchhill Community Centre, Dyfan Road, Barry on Thursday, November 6 at 6pm.

BARUC PACT public meeting, at the Mount Sorrel Hotel, Porthkerry Road, Barry on Tuesday, November 11 at 6.30pm.

CADOC PACT public meeting at Palmerston Community & Learning Centre on Wednesday, November 12 at 6pm.

GIBBONSDOWN PACT public meeting at the Barry Rugby Club, Merthyr Dyfan Road, Barry on Monday, November 10 at 7pm.

Deaf Pact Meeting at Station 20, Barry Fire Station on Thursday, December 4 at 6.30pm. STANWELL PACT public meeting at Glyndwr Hall, Glyndwr Road on Friday, November 28 at 7pm.

If you have any issues that are affecting your quality of life, but are unable to attend a PACT meeting, please contact 101 or log on to www.ourbobby.com.

Council publishes improvement plan

THE Vale of Glamorgan Council has published its Improvement Plan (part 2) for 2014.

The plan reports on the council's performance over the previous year, using a range of national and local data.

A summary is available, which provides a taster of the information available in the document. To view the plan or the summary, in English or Welsh, visit the council website at www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk.

Hard copies of both plan and summary will also be made available in libraries and at council receptions.

MP IN THE PINK!

THE Vale MP, Alun Cairns, has added his voice to the fight against breast cancer, by taking part in Breast Cancer campaign's flagship fundraiser, 'wear it pink' day.

People across the Vale found fun ways to wear pink in the office, at home or school and donations raised will help fund lifesaving breast cancer research.

Mr Cairns said: "Every year in the UK, over 50,000 women and around 350 men are diagnosed with breast cancer. Sadly, 12,000 women and 80 men die from this disease each year.

"This is why I support Breast Cancer Campaign's fundraising efforts to support world-class breast cancer research that saves and improves lives, giving people quicker diagnoses and more effective treatments."



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Paying tribute in Remembrance – *Lest we forget*

Welsh flags proudly fly to honour heroes

AS we prepare for Remembrance events this weekend and mark the 11th hour of the 11th day of November, we will be remembering all those who have served and lost their lives in the First and Second World Wars, and subsequent wars and conflicts involving our Armed Forces.

I was fortunate to join veterans of the 53rd (Welsh) Division at the 70th anniversary commemoration of the Liberation of 's-Hertogenbosch in the Netherlands on October 24. One hundred and

forty six soldiers died during the four-day battle to free the city in October 1944, and I attended the official naming of a new bridge in honour of those Welsh soldiers who liberated the town.

I laid a wreath on behalf of the Welsh Government in memory of the Welsh soldiers who lost their lives in the battle, and met surviving veterans and their relatives from across Wales and England.

They have been welcomed by the Mayor and the people of 's-Hertogenbosch every year, and I joined in thanking them for their acts of bravery and courage, supported by the October 1944 Foundation.

All over the city, there were Welsh flags flying and I was joined by Brigadier Napier and Welsh soldiers serving today.

2014 is a landmark year with the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War, and the 70th anniversary of D Day and the 70th anniversary, on October 27, of the Liberation of 'Den Bosch as the city is known locally.

Commemorative events attracted hundreds of people and the Bridgend Male Voice Choir performed in a final liberation concert with the 's-Hertogenbosch Mixed Choir.

At the opening ceremony in the town hall, I said the links that have been forged between our nations

will last for many years to come and the warmth of feeling towards Wales was reciprocated by the visitors from Wales, who have developed strong friendship links over the years.

I will be thinking of this visit when I pay tribute to our armed forces with the children of Barry at Barry Cemetery tomorrow (Friday, November 7) and on Sunday, November 9 at the Civic Offices and Barry Memorial Hall Cenotaph.

I will also be remembering those who gave their lives from across the Vale as local people join their town and community councils, mayors and local dignitaries in every village and

town of our county to lay their wreaths.

I would like to thank the Royal British Legion for organising concerts and selling poppies across the Vale over the past few weeks-continuing to make the poppy a constant symbol for our memories; and to raise the funds which help to support veterans, alongside the services provided by the Health Service, local authorities and the Welsh Government.

Finally, as we mark the 100 years since the First World War, we will commit ourselves to work for peace, as we remember those who sacrificed 'their tomorrow' for our today.

We will remember them.

ASSEMBLY NOTES



by
Jane Hutt
AM (Minister for Finance)

Art group's cheques for local charities



FROM US TO YOU!

SULLY Painting Group members are grateful to all those who came and supported their annual exhibition in June.

This year our display was extended to three days, and we were blessed with sunny weather every day. Visitors were able to enjoy a cup of tea and a piece of cake, while picking out their favourite picture.

From the proceeds of the event, Nigel Adams, chairman, at the AGM on Tuesday October 28, presented a cheque for £550 to Geoff Back from Ty Hafan. Ros Adams, the exhibition organiser, presented a cheque for £550 to Lara Cowpe for the Teenage Cancer Trust.

We thank visitors again and look forward to continued support next year. **RAD**

WHAT'S ON / news in brief

Author's book-signing

LOCAL teacher Laura Sheldon will be at Griffin Books in Penarth this Saturday (November 8) between 11am and 12 noon, to sign copies of her recently-published children's book, 'Mr Mahli's Shed and a Ghost Named Dylan'.

The book, which features the ghost of Dylan Thomas, centres on the poet's 'writing shed' in Laugharne, which was the inspiration for the writers' shed at Sully Primary School where Laura teaches.

Lavernock service

ON Sunday (November 9) at 3pm, the little Church of St Lawrence in Fort Road, Lavernock, will be holding a service of Remembrance, led by Rev Margaret Stark with organist Miss Ann Thomas. Enquiries to 029 20701303.

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Told In The Huts – the YMCA gift book

I HAD the honour of writing the 2014 introduction to 'Told In The Huts' – The YMCA gift book first published in 1916.

This is what I had to say: "In the original introduction to this book, Arthur K Yapp tells how within days of the start of the First World War the YMCA huts and hostels came into being.

"The book was "And as the long gone

published with a view to boosting YMCA funds and also to draw attention 'to one of the greatest social and religious movements of our time'. The stories therein, which were contributed by service men and others, are both humorous and sad. They give us more than a glimpse of those dark days and the people who lived through them 100 years ago.

Miss Lena Ashwell writes in her concert at the front contribution: "The YMCA realised in the early days of the war that the needs of our men would include not only food and shells, guns and hospital stores, but some of the amenities of civilisation – food for the mind and spirit as well as the body. The YMCA certainly played their part in bringing comfort to the troops."

It is thanks to Barry's Mandy Caddy, of the Cardiff YMCA, who took the decision to reprint this splendid book to commemorate the centenary of the Great War that we now know what a special part the YMCA played back then.

For more information on obtaining a copy of this book e-mail enquiries@cardiffymca.co.uk or see their website www.cardiffymca.co.uk.

Brian Lee

'ALFIE' TELLS HIS STORY TO BOOK FESTIVAL AUDIENCE

THERE was plenty of laughter, and some tears too, last Thursday (October 30) when former Welsh and British Lions captain Gareth 'Alfie' Thomas was interviewed by award-winning sports writer Michael Calvin at the Cowbridge Book Festival.

Gareth and Michael are co-writers of Gareth's inspiring autobiography *Proud* and during the writing of the book the two men have become friends and clearly trust and respect each other greatly.

Gradually, through their conversation and Michael's pertinent questioning, Gareth's character and his moving story began to emerge.

He is a very charismatic and exuberant man with a huge sense of fun and a great empathy for others. Obviously, these are necessary qualities for



Gareth Thomas and Michael Calvin had plenty of books to sign. (Photograph by Dave Allen).

any successful international sports captain.

He is also extremely aware of his place in the sporting history of his beloved home town Bridgend but it is his passion for Wales, and his pride in the red jersey and leading Wales to a Grand Slam Victory, (surely every captain's dream), that really defines him.

But Gareth is also an honest man and living in denial about his sexuality nearly cost him his life. With the love and support of family, friends, team mates and particularly, former assistant coach Scott Johnston, he found the courage to come out.

Having the endorsement of those people who really meant something to him, was a life-changer for Gareth

and, eventually, he was able to accept the fact that he was, Gareth Thomas rugby player, and his sexuality was a non-issue!

Heroes emerge for many reasons and Gareth Thomas presented an appreciative audience with a unique example.

During an emotionally charged event, he described the unusually difficult transition from international rugby hero to an icon for all those young men, and women, who wrestle with the challenge of revealing their true sexuality to family, friends and colleagues.

Thankfully, the public attitude to homosexuality is evolving and heroes like 'Alfie' are courageously leading from the front, as any rugby captain of his standing must.

To his credit he is also a dedicated supporter of the charity Childline and frequently visits schools to talk about bullying.

His warm reception from the audience was confirmed by the long queue of people wanting their own signed copy of the book.

On behalf of the Cowbridge Book Festival, Dr Chris Howard thanked Gareth and Michael for allowing us to share their fascinating and frank conversation.

He also thanked the Bear Hotel for generously offering the use of St Quentin's Suite for what became a very moving evening.

The final festival event for 2014 is something quite different! An intimate conversation between good friends, award

winning author Katie Fforde, debut novelist Jo Thomas and local favourite, BBC broadcaster Lucy Owen. (Cowbridge United Free Church, Wednesday, November 12 at 7.30pm).

All proceeds from festival events are donated to leukemia and lymphoma research and The Noah's Ark Appeal Children's Hospital of Wales.

Details of all events can be found on www.cowbridgebookfestival.co.uk. Tickets are available online via the Festival Website or TicketlineUK or from David Barnes (Dry Cleaners) High St., Cowbridge or Nickleby's Book Shop, Pound Field, Llantwit Major.

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Regional AM's local surgeries

ELUNED PARROTT, AM for South Wales Central, will be holding three advice surgeries in the week commencing November 3.

On Friday, November 7, she will be at Morrisons Supermarket, Penny Way, Barry, CF63 4BA between 1pm and 2pm.

On Saturday, November 8, she will be at her Constituency Office, at 38 The Parade, Roath, Cardiff, CF24 3AD, between 12 noon and 1pm.

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LOCAL CARE HOME CHEF'S AWARD FOR FINE DINING

A CHEF who introduced candlelit dinners with soft music and good wine at a care home, has won a top national award.

Since becoming head chef at Shire Hall Care Home in Overstone Court, Cardiff, Gareth Matthews has introduced various innovations, as well as impressing residents and colleagues alike with his culinary skills.

Now his passion and talent has been acknowledged at the annual Wales Care Awards, run by Care Forum Wales, where he picked up the

prestigious gold honour in the Catering in Care category, sponsored by Harlech Food Services.

The event at Cardiff City Hall, sponsored by Barclays Bank, was hosted by Vale-based TV newsreader Lucy Owen.

Gareth (37) lives in Barry, and went along to the glittering prizegiving evening at Cardiff's City Hall on Friday to collect his accolade with wife, Gemma, by his side.

He said: "It is still sinking in really. It was such a surprise to get the gold. I was nominated a few years

ago and got a bronze award so it feels really nice to have done even better. It was a fantastic evening and there were so many awards. We were towards the end so the nerves were really building by then.

"But it was good food and it was nice to have someone cook for me for a change, too!"

Gareth shared the top honour with a colleague from the Hallmark Group who run the Shire Hall, Claire Wilkins, so the pair were delighted to collect the joint award together.

He said: "It was nice to share it with Claire and it feels good to get a bit of a pat on the back every now and again. I've had a few awards from within the company before, but this one is all impartial and covers the whole of Wales so it is really nice to be recognized."

After completing his training in Cardiff, Gareth worked at numerous hotels in Britain and Spain but with three young children wanted a change from the long unsocial hours.

Since joining Hallmark six years ago Gareth has won the company's own top catering award three times and describes the Shire Hall, which has 98 residents, as being like a "very nice, small hotel".

Gareth was put forward for the award by Shire Hall's manager Karen Grapes, who said that among the changes he had introduced was a choice of cooked or continental breakfasts and selection of pancakes.

He said: "Obviously, some residents cannot go out to restaurants and so I decided to create the same kind of scenario here, and the cinema is converted into a restaurant. The residents and their relatives who can join them do appreciate it."

When Gareth is not creating classy culinary experiences at work, he spends his time with his three children and also supporting his favourite rugby team, the Blues in Cardiff.

Mario Kreft, the Chair of Care Forum Wales, said there had been a record number of nominations and the standard was extremely high.

"This awards ceremony is our opportunity to pay tribute and to celebrate the talent and commitment that is improving the quality of life for thousands and thousands of people throughout Wales. We take our hats off to them."



Gareth Matthews with his award.

BBC to screen results of film training scheme

THE Pencoed-based film production company, It's My Shout, has produced a series of nine short films for BBC2 Wales and S4C, and they started airing this week.

It marks the latest step forward for the company, which started life as an offshoot from the Bridgend Youth Theatre (BYT) when Roger Burnell decided to use the summer holidays to give young people in Bridgend county borough the chance to work and act in short films.

Over the years, the project has grown, and the BYT is now part of It's My Shout, while that summer film project has grown to include a film training scheme that is providing workers for the burgeoning Welsh film industry.

Over the years, films made by other county boroughs and colleges were included in the package, and major strides were

taken four or five years ago when the BBC became more involved, and recognised the value of the project as a training ground for actors and technicians.

This year, nine films – three in Welsh and six in English – were unveiled at a glossy evening at the Wales Millennium Centre, and the first, *The Homing Bird* was broadcast at 11.15pm last Tuesday (November 4) on BBC2 Wales, but is still available on iPlayer.

The increasing involvement of the BBC has made for much stronger scripts which require pretty intense acting. The downside, perhaps, is that there aren't as many parts for really young actors as in earlier years, but anyone who takes the trouble to watch or tape the films will catch some very promising young talent.

Roger Burnell, the managing director of It's My Shout, said: "I'm delighted that so many people have responded to what we are doing – both the industry

and communities.

"It's really important to develop our own talent now that more film production facilities are moving to Wales."

BBC2 Wales will be showing the English films on the following dates, and the first, Like/Unlike, a sharp satire on social media, was shot on location in Barry:

Like/Unlike – November 11.
Orson-Welles Complex – November 18.

Mountain View – November 25
Hitched – December 2
Moving On – December 9.

A documentary on the making of the films will be shown on December 16.

The Welsh language films, entitled Bara Menyn, Jiw Jiws, and Plu Oen will be shown on S4C over three nights, November 17/18/19.

The film Moving On was shot in Cardiff and features Porthcawl actor Joe Wiltshire Smith in a supporting role.

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Training at ICAT was organised by lead aeronautical engineering lecturer Leighton Marson and engineering training provider semta.

Lecturer Les Ball undertook training for the mechanical competition in ICAT's aircraft workshop and Leighton provided avionics practice in the avionics lab during the two-day coaching session.

WorldSkills competitors from a range of organisations took part, including the RAF, Fleet Air Arm, QinetiQ and Jaguar Land Rover.

Also present during the training was Level 2 aircraft engineering ICAT student Martha Ormerod, who is not taking part in WorldSkills this year but

is determined to put herself forward for next year's competition.

Martha had come in during her half term study review week to get a taste of what WorldSkills entails.

"I wanted to find out more about the event in general and see what I will have to do when I go forward next year," Martha, who is 24 and lives in Llantwit Major, explained. "It has been really nice to meet these different people - people who are in the WorldSkills competition and people who are interested the same field as me."

Fibromyalgia group

THE next meeting of the Vale of Glamorgan Fibromyalgia Support Group will be on November 11 between 11am and 1pm.

Contact group leader Gaynor Davies on 01446 733315, for more information.

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GROUP PRESSES FOR CHILDREN'S SWINGS AT GARDEN SUBURB



RESIDENTS have set up a group to campaign for the provision of a set of swings for the increasing number of children in the Garden Suburb housing area.

Vice-chair Rachael Williams, for the 'Friends of the Garden Suburb' group explained: "There is a lack of facilities for children in the area, and there is an overwhelming demand from the local children and young families for some form of leisure facilities. "It is important for neighbourhood children to be able to play together safely, and also for parents to meet and get to know each other in a time where the feeling of 'community' is sadly being lost.

"For too long there have been

no facilities for children and the nearest parks of Porthkerry and Romilly Park can be quite inaccessible, especially when having to push a pram. There are also safety concerns about young children having to walk through the woods to gain access to other playgrounds."

Chairperson Vicky Roberts stated: "There were originally tennis courts next to Marine Drive but these were sadly built on in the early 1980s.

"Both a paper and Facebook petitions were set up, and despite negotiations with the parks department of the Vale Council, they have refused to further the groundwork for a site, even though there are many suitable sites in the Garden Suburb. The area we require is only 9 metres

square for an infant and child swing.

"What is even more frustrating is that we have funding for the payment of the swings from the Welsh Town and Country Planning Trust, but the council will not assist further in finding a suitable donor site in the area to erect the swings. We did initially have support from the local councillors but that was withdrawn when some residents dismissed the idea for fear of attracting troublemakers.

"If the council still fail to assist us with our aim, then all we can do is continue to lobby them, with the aid of other organisations, to help our cause in finding a piece of land to install the swings."



Kevin Moore talks to Jane Hutt about his work.

Artist's display in aid of MIND

THE opening of local photographer Kevin Moore's exhibition at Barry Town Station Travellers' Gallery, in aid of the MIND charity, was attended by Vale AM Jane Hutt.

The exhibition will run until Friday, November 7 (7am - 12.30pm) and showcases pictures of local places of interest from across the Vale and Cardiff. All proceeds go to MIND.

Dinas bazaar

THERE'S a 2014 Christmas Bazaar at Bethel House, Dinas Powys (part of the Hebron Hall complex) on Saturday November 22 from 2pm to 3.30pm.

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Out and About with The GEM

Gyllenhall's Nightcrawler one of the films of the year

SINCE making a dent with 2001's *Donnie Darko*, Jake Gyllenhall has built up an impressive resumé of work, the likes of *Brokeback Mountain*, *Zodiac* and *Source Code*, among others, highlighting the actor's ability to choose work wisely.

His latest film, *Nightcrawler*, sees him play Lou Bloom, a man seeking a purpose, who thinks he finds it when he comes across a man filming the aftermath of a car crash. Going into this world of 'journalism', and teaming up with a news producer (Rene Russo) and a lackey (Riz Ahmed), Bloom's stock rises – but at what point will he stop in order to get the perfect story...

The nature of news reporting has undergone a sea change in recent years, with the emphasis appearing to move away from fact and instead being focused on sensationalism and gossip; the validity of the story less important than the number of readers, viewers or hits a story will receive.

It's this type of journalism that has

seemingly driven Dan Gilroy to write, and direct, *Nightcrawler*, the film as much about this world as it is about blind ambition and how far people will go to achieve what they want.

Our entry into this world is Lou, a man who we learn early on isn't afraid of getting his hands dirty and who seems to be striving for a way to make his mark in society. He's something of a fantasist, but with a darkness and danger lurking not that far from the surface.

The character is sharply written and brought to vivid life by Jake Gyllenhall, who doesn't just deliver a performance, but who inhabits the character so fully that you are completely taken in by him.

Having lost 20 pounds to play him, and with the hollowed cheekbones and darkened eyes dominating his features, it would be easy to chalk this up to just method acting, but Gyllenhall's turn is so much more than that.

Holding the story squarely on his shoulders, with nary a scene without him, Gyllenhall propels the film, granting Bloom so much depth that his lack



by GARETH JAMIESON
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of backstory passes almost unnoticed. All we know of Bloom is what we see on screen, and Gyllenhall manages to convey everything about Lou with an incredible turn.

Alongside him, Rene Russo may have a slightly more clichéd character in the hungry, no-holds-barred news producer battling for the biggest scoops, but she offers a solid turn, while Riz Ahmed, so good in the likes of *Four Lions* and *Shifty*, plays the edgy lackey to Bloom's cocksure entrepreneur, his performance one elongated nervous tic as he, and the audience, try to get a real handle on just who Bloom is and

what he could be capable of.

Dan Gilroy has penned the somewhat generic likes of *Real Steel* and *The Bourne Legacy*, which makes *Nightcrawler* all that more surprising and impressive, as the usual tropes are avoided in a screenplay that slowly ramps up tension, threatening to boil over at any point. Its barbs are aimed with precision, but delivered so that the audience are allowed to make their own minds up over the validity and moral debate of Bloom's chosen profession.

While the film bears the influence of Martin Scorsese's sparse, character-driven films of yesteryear (Lou could be mistaken for *The King Of Comedy*'s Rupert Pupkin in his mannered delivery), Gilroy also paints Bloom as a product of the times, something made real by the society in which we live.

It also carries some lighter touches, the satire and black comedy bleeding into the edges, and while Bloom could easily be played as an eager fool, the writing and performance mean he's never to be taken lightly.

In his directorial debut, Gilroy delivers an assured and focused effort, the film sparsely and impressively shot, the clarity and directness of the screenplay parlayed into his directorial style. Late-night Los Angeles will always draw comparisons with Michael Mann, and while the film shares his visual hallmarks, as well as those of Nicolas Winding Refn's *Drive*, it doesn't lessen the impact in the slightest.

Nightcrawler is one of those, sadly now, rare films that comes out of nowhere and dazzles you with its brilliance. Its convergence of incredible performances, sharp writing and impressive direction makes it one of the finest films of the year, one that will certainly stay with you afterwards.

VERDICT – A standout effort, Dan Gilroy's directorial debut draws a stunning lead performance from Jake Gyllenhall that makes *Nightcrawler* live long in the memory. Gilroy's economic, powerful script packs a punch, creating a darkly comic thriller showcasing what may be Gyllenhall's finest turn yet. Must see.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *The King of Comedy* (1982), *Drive* (2011).

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Also on November 9 at 2pm, coastal path to nature reserve starting at Fontygary Leisure Park.

On Tuesday, November 11 at 1.30pm, views of the coast circular starting at Penarth cliff top car park.

On Wednesday, November 12, the coffee shop strollers meet at Cosmeston Country Park visitor centre at 10.30am.

On Wednesday, November 19 at 10.30am, the coffee shop strollers meet at Romilly Cafe, Cold Knap, Barry.

On Wednesday, November 26 at 10.30am, the coffee

What's On - In brief

shop strollers meet again at Cosmeston Country Park visitor centre.

St Hilary memories
ON Tuesday, November 4 villagers are invited to enjoy tea and cakes in the village hall between 2.30pm and 4.30pm.

However, there is a catch! We want to gather villagers' memories of living in the village as well as share what we have already discovered.

What better way to spend the afternoon, gossiping about the past and sharing photos of interest – we would like to scan any photos or documents to enrich the conversations. And if you have any documents that you think might be of interest bring them along.

If you are new to the village, please come

along if you just want to find out.

Remembrance concert

LYNDSAY ELLIS of The Vale Funeral Service and John Lewis of JPL Sound/The Barry Music Shop are presenting a free Remembrance Concert on Thursday, November 6 at the Vale Funeral Service Chapel, Windsor Road, Barry (opposite the Mount Sorrel Hotel).

Concert commences at 7pm. Presenter for the evening – Mr Dean Caldwell; celebrant Father Ben Andrews.

Autumn lunches
ALL Saints' Church, Park Road, Barry is offering good company and food at their autumn lunches in the church hall (12pm to 1.30pm) on four successive Thursdays, from November 6 to November 27 inclusive.

Lunch will include soup, crusty bread, home-made puddings and tea or coffee for £5 a head, including a free raffle. Everyone is welcome.

Library information
THERE will be a 'drop-in' session on the Vale Council's plans at Rhose Library on Friday, November 7 from 3.30pm-7pm. Senior Library staff will be there.

St Hilary Remembrance
If you need advice but can't attend, call Coun Elmore on 01446 450007, or 07867 506116.

Plaid advice
RESIDENTS are invited to attend an advice surgery to discuss any council issues or concerns with Plaid Cymru councillors Dr Ian Johnson, Steffan William, Nic Hodges, Shirley Hodges at The Community Room, the County Library, King's Square, Barry from 11am until 12 midday on Saturday, November 8. No appointments are necessary.

Rear Admiral's book signing

FORMER Rear Admiral Chris Parry CBE is in Penarth on November 14 to talk about his recently published book, Super Highway: Sea Power in the 21st Century.

In the book, Parry describes how the coming decades will witness a 'scramble' for the seas, making them a key arena for both cooperation and competition, with the potential for conflict between major powers, aspiring states and aggressive commercial interests.

Now retired, he joined the Royal Navy in 1972, was promoted to Rear Admiral in 2005, then became the MoD's Director of Developments, Concepts and Doctrines. The talk and book signing will take place on the gallery of All Saints' Church in Victoria Square, Penarth at 7.30pm. For full information, visit griffinbooks.co.uk.

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'Extraordinary' museum commemorates First World War centenary

To commemorate the centenary of World War One, it was decided that the RAF and civilian staff of MoD St Athan would undertake a project that was personal to them.

The project needed to be achievable, accessible and inclusive for everyone on the station, so it was decided to create a small museum. This would provide a means for personnel and their families to share their history and family experiences and losses surrounding World War One.

A spokeswoman said: "The project started in a modest way, but it wasn't long before it grew legs and evolved into something quite extraordinary. What started with one room quickly extended to two, and in a short space of time extended to the



ABOVE: AC Sanderson and Wg Cdr Balls open the museum.

whole church.

"The project began early in the spring during which time MoD St Athan was fortunate enough to have a number of keen work experience students, Nicola Casling, Rhiannon Thomas and Ellie Brown who set about outlining the various elements of the museum's contents.

"Nicola Casling, who was on an extended

engineering, aviation, animals at war, weapons, shot at dawn, and chaplaincy at war.

"In addition, there are many personal accounts and family histories that personnel have kindly agreed to share.

"The museum officially opened on August 4 following the Station's Act of Commemoration for the beginning of World War One.

"The commemoration service was well attended by both military and civilian personnel.

"It was led by the chaplaincy team, with a statement read by the Commanding Officer, Wing Commander Robert Balls.

Following the Lord's Prayer, a candle was lit, a blessing said, and the hymn 'Make me a channel of your peace' sung to conclude the service.

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Wartime museum to open on Remembrance Sunday

THE Glamorgan Wartime Heritage Centre at Barry Island Railway Station will be open on Remembrance Sunday from 12.15pm until 4pm.

The volunteer-run museum, which is rated as Barry's second best attraction on Trip Advisor, seeks to educate visitors about the part that Barry and the rest of the Vale played in all of Britain's

conflicts.

Based on the version at the Imperial War Museum, the Great War trench proves popular with visitors and is the only one in the Vale.

The museum also opens on Wednesday afternoons throughout the winter, and volunteers are keen to hear from local schools if they would like to visit.

One of the key priorities for the Barry at War group, who run the museum, is to improve the offering for schools throughout

this winter.

Barry at War will also be supporting the Pontypridd Festival of Remembrance, by providing Great War uniforms for Cadets and Staff of Barry's Air Training Corps Squadron.

You can find out more about the museum at the Facebook site <https://www.facebook.com/BarryATWarHistoryGroup> or by emailing Ade Pitman at littledevon@ntlworld.com. AP

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Nicola Casling outside the museum entrance.

Poignant reminder of the young heroes who did not return



Inside the museum.

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It seemed only fitting that AC Sanderson, age 17 yrs,

the youngest student at No 4 School of Technical Training (4SoTT) was asked to open the museum alongside the Commanding Officer. This acted as a poignant reminder to every one of the ages of the young men who were going off to war, many of whom did not return."

The museum has become a focal point and a continuing reminder to all of the sacrifices made between 1914-1918.

Many personnel across the Station have visited along with other members of local history groups and schools.

The museum will be open to the public by prior arrangement on Thursdays 2pm-4pm or Wednesdays 6pm-8pm until December 18. Additional bookings can be made through the media communications office on 01446 797118.



Some of the exhibits inside the church.



Wg Cdr Balls and AC Sanderson light candles to remember the fallen.

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Rhoose holds Remembrance Day service and a parade

THIS Remembrance Day is special, as it is the centenary of the beginning of the First World War.

The Rhoose Remembrance Day Parade and Service will take place on Sunday, November 9.

The service, conducted by Rev Melanie Prince and including other denominations, will be held at the Rhoose Community Hall in Stewart Road, immediately following the laying of the wreaths at 10.55am.

Local organisations and individuals are encouraged to support the parade and service and they are welcome

to bear their standards with pride. Serving and retired servicemen are particularly welcome and, as always, will have seats reserved at the front of the hall.

The parade will muster at 10.30am at the bottom off Wesley Avenue and march off promptly at 10.40am.

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A short service, along with a two-minute silence, will take place on the Civic Office Forecourt, Barry, in front of the Merchant Seamen Memorial, beginning at 10.45am.

The mayor, along with political leaders and representatives of local organisations, will lay wreaths to commemorate the fallen.

The ceremony is open to all and members of the public are encouraged to attend and pay their respects. The start and end of the silence will be marked by the playing of the Last Post and Reveille.

Remembrance Day poem

*As the wind blows though the poppy leaves
And a quiet breeze blows through the trees
We remember the men who went to war, who
packed up their cases and walked through their doors.*

*They left their homes and families
Too, and the numbers that returned were only few;
They fought with their enemy until death was so near
and a lot of them died with hearts full of fear.
They had laid down their lives that we may have
peace and live our lives in a Golden Fleece.
So we must never forget the days of war and the
men that died to change the law.*

*We must think of the past as part of our lives, and
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Russell Spencer Downe

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From the congregations of St Paul's and Merthyr Dyfan, 33 men lost their lives on active service in the First World War, 28 in World War Two, one in the Korean War, one in 1952 and one in the Falklands in 1982.

The names of all those who lost their lives are recorded in St Paul's War Memorial porch; they will be read out on Sunday morning and Rector Robert Parrish is inviting all relatives of those who lost their lives, or served, to attend the special Remembrance Services at St Paul's at 10am this Sunday, November 9, or at 8.45am at Merthyr Dyfan Church.

These are the names of the Barry men honoured on the War Memorial at

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wishes the poppy appeal every success and is pleased to support this worthy cause.



Commemorating the centenary of the First World War

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

AS this year's particularly significant Remembrance Sunday approaches – significant because it marks the centenary of the outbreak of World War One – the experiences of a typical Vale town such as Cowbridge offer a chance to put a human face on the unimaginable fatality statistics that are a tragic feature of the 'Great War'.

Last week, the GEM published the first part of an article detailing the brief lives of the men who are recorded on the town's Cenotaph. The primary source material for this is a historical book, *The Great War: Memorials in Cowbridge and Llanblethian* by JOSÉ RAWLINS, published by the Cowbridge Record Society and printed by Keith Brown & Sons of Cowbridge. The book was the result of extensive and painstaking research over five years by the author.

David Howell, the Cowbridge Poppy Appeal organiser, has included sections of the book in the course of compiling the article.

This account of ordinary men, who were transported around the world as the battles raged, and who came to meet their end in foreign fields, was replicated around south Wales, and provides a deeply sobering backdrop to the forthcoming Remembrance ceremonies.

The GEM hopes that telling the story of just a few of the men who fought and died, will inspire residents in the Vale and Bridgend county boroughs to support their local Poppy Appeal. The Royal British Legion was formed in the aftermath of World War One, but its work continues today, helping men and women who made the same sacrifice as those remembered in this centenary year of the Great War.

Thomas Albert John Edwards

Thomas was born in Ystradowen in late 1891. At the time of the 1891 census his parents, Samuel and Elizabeth Edwards, were living with her parents Thomas and Mary Sant at Talyfon Castle.

Thomas's father Samuel worked for his father-in-law, who was a farmer.

By 1901, father Samuel was a farmer himself and Tom lived on the family farm at Bryndafod in Welsh St Donats. In the 1911 census the family was living at Clawdd-Coch, Pendoylan but now Samuel describes himself as an "estate labourer" and Tom was working as a haulier. Samuel died in early 1917, just before his son.

No records are available of Tom's military service. He was killed in action on April 9, 1917, aged 25, during the 1st Battle of the Scarpe which opened the major offensive launched from a system of tunnels beneath the town of Arras. He has no known grave but his name is recorded on the Arras Memorial.

Owen Evans

Born in Welsh St. Donats in 1892, he was the fourth son of seven (plus one daughter) of the Rev William Edgar Evans, minister of Carmel Congregational Church in Bonhillston, and wife Mary Evans. They lived at The Manse in Llanbelyth.

Owen worked for John Hopkins & Sons, builders and monumental masons in Cowbridge, and, aged 18, is described as a sculptor in the 1911 Census.

Owen was one of the many thousands of young men who responded to Kitchener's call for volunteers to serve in the New Army, enlisting in the Royal Sussex Regiment at Cowbridge with Aubrey Lloyd Morgan. Both men are listed in Glamorgan Gazette's Roll of Honour of October 23, 1914.

The Royal Sussex Regiment 7th Battalion, was part of the 12th Eastern Division 36th Brigade. Owen landed at Boulogne in June 1915 and was probably involved in the Battle of Loos at the end of

September 1915.

He died in the 1st Battle of the Somme on July 7, 1916, aged 24, and is buried at Ovillers Military Cemetery.

Two years later Edgar and Mary Evans suffered the tragic loss of Owen's younger brother Lance Corporal Emrys Morgan Evans.

Apparently, as Emrys had neither lived or worked in Cowbridge, he was not included with Owen on the town memorial.

David Fitzgerald

Born in Llanblethian in mid-1892, David was the second son of John Fitzgerald who was born in Cork, Ireland. John worked as a railway platelayer in 1901 and lived near the Farmers Arms in Aberthryn with his Welsh wife Elizabeth and their four children.

By 1911 the family had moved to 5 Aubrey Terrace and David, still living at home, was employed as a mason. The family home was still in Aubrey Terrace in 1918 when David died.

David may have considered himself Irish for he served with the Royal Dublin Fusiliers from November 1914 and was stationed at Cork. He transferred to the Royal Welsh Regiment in April 1916 so that he could be with his elder brother William.

He also seems to have served in the 2/3rd Cheshire Regiment for a short period before being transferred back to the Welsh Regiment.

Confusingly, the Cowbridge war memorial places him in the South Wales Borderers even though his headstone shows him to have been in the Royal Welsh Regiment. The German spring offensive of 1918 was fought in Picardy over the old battlefield of the Somme, but petered out before reaching the major and vital railway town of Amiens. David was killed on the first day of the Battle of Lys on April 9, 1918, aged 25, and his grave is in an extension to the communal cemetery at Beuvry, a town about 3km east of Bethune.

William James

William was born in Cowbridge in 1892. He was the only son of John James of Llyswnorwy and his wife Harriet

from Bath, Somerset; William had an older sister, Maud.

The family was living close to the Edmondes Arms in East Village, Cowbridge, at the time of the 1901 census and had moved to Glebe House, Llanblethian, by the time of the 1911 census; William and Maud were still living with their parents in 1911.

In both the 1901 and 1911 census returns father John describes his employment as haycutter, William being similarly employed in 1911.

William enlisted for three years in the Welsh Regiment (2nd Welch) at Cowbridge on November 6, 1914. He left for France on February 17, 1915. The 2nd Welch was involved in an attack on Aubers Ridge, which opened on May 9, 1915.

The German defenders were securely entrenched. Artillery bombardment failed to reach its targets and machine-gun fire was deadly and accurate. Within two hours many of the soldiers had been cut down or drowned in the marsh and stream in the area.

William was killed in action on May 9, 1915, aged 23. He has no known grave and his name is engraved on the Welsh Regiment panel on the Le Touret Memorial. Over 13,000 names are listed on the memorial of men who died before September 23, 1915.

Albert and Arthur Gibbs

Born in Cowbridge in mid 1896 and mid 1899 respectively, they were the fourth and sixth of nine sons and two daughters of Joseph and Florence Gibbs.

Joseph, who was from Birmingham, was a printer for the Glamorgan Gazette and had moved to Cowbridge in 1895 to set up a printing business with his assistant David Brown at 43, High Street.

In 1901, the Gibbs family was living at 23, Eastgate, Joseph being recorded in the census as a printer, stationer and shopkeeper. In 1911, Albert, aged 14, was working in the family business as a printer's compositor, along with his older siblings Ethel, Walter and Frederick;

12-year-old Arthur was still at school.

Albert enlisted in Bridgend, joining the 16th (Cardiff City) Service Division which was raised in November 1914. Alongside 11th SWB the 'Cardiff Pals' fought their way into Mametz Wood.

They lost so many men that after the action the battalion was transferred away from the Somme battlefield to Flanders. Albert was killed in action near Ypres on September 14, 1916. His grave is in Essex Farm Cemetery, only two rows away from William Lane, who was killed in action less than a month earlier.

Arthur – probably after brother Albert's death – enlisted at Cardiff into 9th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment. The regiment was part of five extremely unfortunate divisions which faced a series of German spring offensives, in 1918 and suffered such heavy losses that the survivors were ordered back to England on June 30, and the battalion was disbanded shortly afterwards.

In July a brief report in the Glamorgan Gazette stated: "After being missing for a considerable time news has been received that Pte Arthur Gibbs is a prisoner of war in Germany."

The Gazette listed six Cowbridge men, all living in Eastgate, as prisoners: J Oakley and his brother A Oakley, brothers Fred and Arthur Gibbs, E Lloyd and Jack Conway.

Sadly, Arthur died in Germany on October 24, 1918. The cause of his death is not known and his grave is in Worms (Hochheim Hill cemetery). Frederick returned home and settled in Maesteg.

Albert and Arthur's brother Harry also served.

Ralph Goulden

Ralph Goulden is not listed by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, as he died a civilian but was as much a casualty of the Great War as all the other men on the memorial.

He was born in Bridgend in late 1893 and was the third son (of a family of six sons and three daughters) of Henry and Jane



Cowbridge cricketers in uniform – J Foulkes, Frank Dunn, Charlie Morgan, Albert Gibbs*, Harold Moynan*, I Pell, BS Bird, Lyn Llewellyn, Jack Dunn*. (* – denotes 'killed in action').*

Goulden. Henry ran a baker's and confectionery shop at 17 High Street in both the 1901 and 1911 census returns. At the time of the 1911 census, Ralph was a postman.

Elder brother Richard had a very distinguished war-time career being awarded both the Distinguished Conduct Medal and a Military Medal.

Younger brother Edgar served in the Royal Navy and older sister Alice served in France with Queen Alexandra's Imperial Nursing Service.

The Glamorgan Gazette in October 1918 carried the report "Edgar Goulden RNR was handed a token of appreciation from the Mayor of Cowbridge to convey to his brother, Ralph Goulden, who lies in a precarious state in his home suffering severely from gas poisoning."

Ralph died in Bettws, Ammanford on June 26, 1919 aged 25.

Ralph's name is on the Cardiff Post Office Roll of Honour.

Benjamin Hayward and Sidney Abraham

Hayward

Benjamin and Sidney Hayward were the third and youngest sons of the 11 children of George and Elizabeth Hayward.

George of Cricklade, Wiltshire married Elizabeth Jones of Cowbridge in 1873. In 1881 they were living with their four youngest sons, including Benjamin who was born in late 1877, at the Causeway, Llanblethian.

By 1891 they had moved to Eastgate, Cowbridge. Father George was working as a painter and decorator, Elizabeth a dressmaker; young Benjamin a general labourer. By this time the family were seven sons and two daughters all living at home.

By 1901 the older sons had moved away and George declared in the 1901 census that he was a coffee house owner as well as a decorator. Benjamin enlisted in the Royal Navy in September 1897, signing on for 12 years.

Benjamin was 'stood down' from the Royal Naval Reserve in 1909 after his 12 years' service and worked at the power station at

Upper Boat. He was recalled from the Reserve in August 1914 to serve on HMS Challenger.

By September 1914, Challenger was stationed off the west coast of Africa and played a major part in the successful Franco/British invasion of the German colony of Cameroon. In January 1916, Benjamin was discharged from the navy on grounds of ill health.

He returned to his wife, Ida Margaret Williams, whom he had married in 1914 and who lived at the Broughton shop near Wick. Benjamin died of malaria on January 25, 1916, aged 38, and was buried in the graveyard attached to Wick Unitarian Chapel.

Sidney was born in mid 1892. By 1911, Sidney was the only one of the children still living at home and Elizabeth, still at Eastgate, was running a sweet shop. Sidney is described as in service with a doctor.

Strangely, George does not appear on the 1911 census, although he was still alive and did not pass away until

March 1917.

In January 1915, Sidney joined the Royal Welsh Fusiliers and crossed to France in December that year.

Sidney's division went into action in the Battle of the Somme in July. There were six days of murderous fighting before they captured Mametz Wood, which resulted in huge casualties. The division was then withdrawn from Picardy to Flanders.

Sidney was killed in action on June 24, 1917, aged 25, before the start of the third Battle of Ypres during a German barrage on trenches in front of the Yser Canal. His grave is in the Bard Cottage cemetery near Boezinghe, in the northern sector of the Ypres salient.

All 11 Hayward siblings served their country in the Great War. Eight of the brothers enlisted in the army, Benjamin served in the Royal Navy, and the two sisters Beatrice and Bertha served in France with Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.

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Writer's acknowledgements

Extensive research for this article was carried out by José Rawlins and is included in her book *The Great War: Memorials in Cowbridge and Llanblethian* by José Rawlins and published by the Cowbridge Record Society and printed by Keith Brown and Sons Ltd in 2008. The publication is available via the Cowbridge History Society.

I must congratulate José on her book, it is a very informative publication. A number of passages from the book have been included in this work and others have been paraphrased. I am grateful for the opportunity to quote her excellent text.

I consider myself fortunate that records and sources not available to José when she carried out her research, plus much improved computing power, were available to me at this later date and, probably made my task much easier.

As a couple of names appear on both the Cowbridge and Llanblethian memorials I took the approach of combining the two. I have also produced the list in straightforward alphabetical order and tended to ignore rank, which seems somewhat inappropriate some 100 years on.

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One of the main reasons for this longevity is the sheer pleasure choristers derive from being part of a group of like minded men and being able to produce a musical sound which warms the soul and gives enormous pleasure to listeners.

Another very important aspect of Barry Male Voice Choir's operations is that almost all the concerts we perform are in support of a charity fundraiser. The pleasure of being able to assist a charity, while at the same doing something which we thoroughly enjoy, is immeasurable.

The choir also enjoys a healthy social aspect with the majority of concerts being followed by a gathering in a local hostelry for some 'refreshment' and inevitably a few more songs.

At least once each year, the choir will travel away over a long-

by GARETH ROBERTS,
CHAIRMAN
OF BARRY MALE
VOICE CHOIR



weekend period with our wives/partners. During the last few years we have visited Stirling, Cockermouth, Beauvais (France), Gouda (Netherlands) and have only recently returned from a great weekend in Falmouth.

Next year the choir is off to Rheinfelden in Germany to re- cement the links with Barry's twin town. Closer to home we have performed at weddings, and venues as diverse as The

Millennium Centre in Cardiff and Barry Rugby Club.

To ensure the continuation of this fine tradition of music-making and social enjoyment, we are keen to recruit as many new members as we can.

There is no requirement to have the ability to read music or to speak Welsh, and there will be no terrifying 'voice test' to have to pass.

The range of music we perform is huge, and I can guarantee that there will be something in our repertoire that you will know.

I can also guarantee the warmest of welcomes to any new members. I have been privileged to have been the choir chairman for the last four years, a position which has given me great pleasure.

What would give me even more pleasure is to see the choir's numbers swelled by the arrival of some new members.

So why not come and join us at the first of our 'Taster' sessions in the West End Club, Barry on November 10 for a sing along, buffet and a pint. See you there!

I should like to take this opportunity to thank our advertisers, Barry Town Council, the Vale Council and VCVS for their support.

President's invitation!

THE choir's President Gordon Mudford is issuing an invitation to potential choristers:

As president of Barry Male Voice Choir, I extend a warm invitation to the men of Barry and the Vale to join us. The choir has been in existence for the last 112 years.

Throughout this period, the choir has served the cultural interests of the town and the Vale with distinction.

It has also provided tens of thousands of pounds to various charitable organisations both locally and nationally.

The choir also initiated the twinning of Barry with the German town of Rheinfelden in 1967. This is still enjoyed today. The choir is visiting Rheinfelden again next year (2015).

We are currently looking for new members to ensure the continuity of the above activities. Please come along to our recruiting event on 10th November



The choir president Gordon Mudford.

in the West End Club Barry at 7.30pm.

This taster evening is intended as an easy introduction to the choir and male voice singing. Choir members and the musical team assure you of a warm welcome. Hopefully resulting in an enjoyable evening of singing and eventual membership of the choir. I look forward to meeting you on the night.

Best wishes, Gordon Mudford.

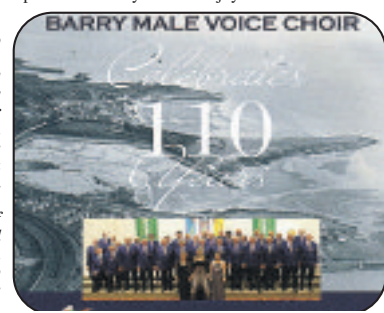
Choir 'fills my soul with joy!

The youngest choir member is Alex Harries (30) who joined the choir when he moved to the town.

Alex is an actor whose recent roles include a policeman in the Hinterland/Y Gwyl series broadcast on BBC/ S4C respectively.

He explained: "I've been a member of BMVC for over a year and it's the best decision I've made since moving to Barry."

"Singing gives me an opportunity to express myself in a way that my job as an actor doesn't allow. Every rehearsal I'm able to attend and every concert I perform fills my soul with joy."



A 2012 CD celebrated 110 years of Barry Male Voice Choir.



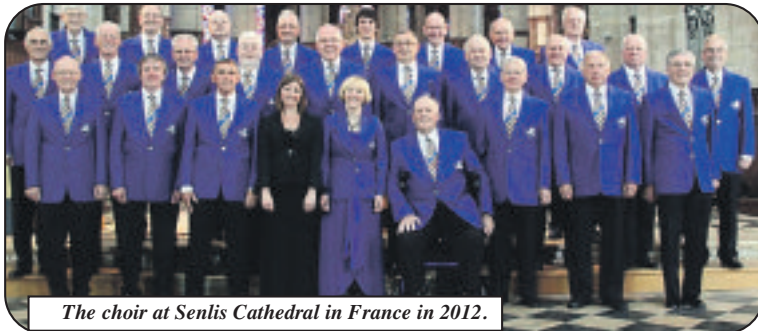
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Are you a shower crooner, a budding Pavarotti, or Mister Karaoke? BARRY MALE VOICE CHOIR MAKES WAVES WITH A FUN CAMPAIGN TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS



ABOVE: As you can see, Barry Male Voice Choir has been having some fun in publicising its recruitment campaign.



The choir at Senlis Cathedral in France in 2012.



Dorothy getting the best out of the tenor section at a recent choir rehearsal.

BARRY Male Voice Choir has launched an engaging and humorous recruitment campaign that has caught the attention of the general public.

It's even been boosted by the support of top Welsh celebrities such as Michael Sheen, Roy Noble and Derek Brockway.

The choir has produced a series of invitations and posters publicising their special taster session for potential new members to be held in the West End Club, St Nicholas Road, Barry, (CF62 6QY) on November 10 at 7.30pm.

The chairman Gareth Roberts explained: "You don't have to be a trained singer – if you can sing in tune, you can sing in the choir."

"We are keen to encourage more men from Barry, and the rest of the Vale, to join the choir and everyone will be made really welcome at the taster evening."

"We launched the campaign on Facebook and Twitter and the response has been so encouraging it's taken us by surprise."

"The actor Michael Sheen re-tweeted our post to his 200,000 followers. It has also had support from weatherman Derek Brockway, a native of Barry, BBC presenter Sian Williams and a number of Welsh sports personalities."

So what exactly is a taster evening in 'choir terms'?

Gareth said: "It is a gentle and convivial introduction to male voice singing. It is for men who are interested in singing, but who

haven't sung before or who are nervous about joining a choir."

"Guests will not be expected to sing on their own. The evening will focus on singing."

"If people want to join after the taster session, a series of practices for new choristers has been arranged."

"These will be held from November 17 once a week for 10 weeks on Mondays between 6.30 and 7.30pm at Trinity Hall, Trinity St, Barry, (CF62 7EH)."

"After 10 weeks, you can join the main choir. It is hoped that new choristers will be able to attend at least one rehearsal a week out of two."

"Anyone unable to attend the taster session will still be welcomed at practices during these introductory 10 weeks."

For more information, see the choir website at www.barrymalevoicechoir.co.uk (or telephone 07925878669).

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Elaine's £300 smoking saving



ABOVE: Elaine Nelsen with the Welsh rugby stars.

OCTOBER 28 marked the final day of 'Stoptober' – the 28 day stop smoking challenge – which has seen thousands of smokers across Wales attempt to stop smoking.

Stop Smoking Wales has been offering advice and support, and there were nine 'local heroes' from throughout Wales who have been documenting their quit attempt throughout October.

The campaign has been supported by the Welsh Rugby Union who surprised the local heroes with tickets to the autumn international opener, Wales v Australia which will be held at the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff on

November 8.

George North, Taulupe Faletau and Justin Tipuric presented a pair of tickets to each local hero at the Welsh Rugby squad's training ground at the Vale Resort.

Elaine Nelsen, 64, from Bridgend was among the local heroes who picked up their reward.

Elaine, who has saved £333 and has not smoked 1,026 cigarettes since taking on the Stoptober challenge, said: "I'm feeling great and people keep telling me they can notice a difference already in my complexion and skin colour.

"I'm proud to have got to day 28 and I can't wait until next Stoptober when I'll be able to say I've been smoke free for a year – onwards and upwards!"

Farmers' charity walk proves to be a great success

FARMERS' Union of Wales members and friends covered all 871 miles of the Wales Coast Path during a huge sponsored walk to raise funds for children's hospice charities, Tŷ Hafan and Tŷ Gobaith.

The challenging event took place in September, when teams of union members, staff and friends embarked on various walks along the whole length of the Wales Coast Path to boost funds for both charities, which have been chosen for FFW president Emyr Jones' 2014 charity appeal.

"Our Glamorgan members really backed us all the way with the challenge and, between us, we managed to walk the entire length of Glamorgan's coastal line, 124 miles in total," said Rachel Saunders, county executive officer for FFW Glamorgan.

"We had been praying for dry weather in the run up to the challenge and it turned out to be a beautiful day, making the walk even more enjoyable."

"Our county chairman Richard Walker literally walked the extra mile for us, completing 23 miles on the day and collecting money from generous farmers attending a ploughing event on a local farm adjacent to the coastal path, as well as donations from charitable members of the public enjoying the walk."

"I would like to thank everyone who took part in the challenge, donated towards the cause and generally helped out with lifts on the day, as you have helped FFW Glamorgan raise over £700 for Tŷ Hafan and Tŷ Gobaith."

Bridge results

RESULTS for the Vale of Glamorgan bridge club for November 3:

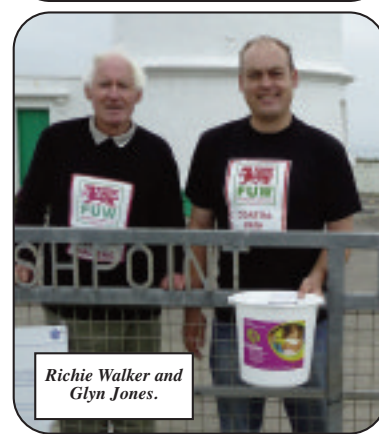
1st Alan Lewis & Terry Evans 73.81 per cent, 2nd Mike Best & Kevin Maddox 67.86, 3rd= Vida Halford & Glyn Williams 55.95 and Marjorie Morris & Linda Pinnock 55.95.

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Jonathan and Jane Jones.



Richie Walker and Glyn Jones.

Rangers rush to beat the winter!

PORCHKERRY Park rangers, in partnership with Porthkerry Wildlife Group, Natural Resources Wales, and the Bumblebee Conservation Trust, are hurrying to create two new wildflower areas before the weather gets too cold.

"Two small areas of meadow have been cut, scarified, raked and then sown with a range of wildflower seeds. The seeds have either been donated or collected from other areas of the

park or other wildflower sites nearby," said ranger Mel Stewart.

"The rangers and volunteers have been out collecting seeds all summer long. We can't wait until next summer when we hope to see the meadow a mass of beautiful flowers that will help attract bees and butterflies throughout the summer."

Anyone interested in joining Porthkerry Wildlife group, or help out with future conservation projects, should contact the ranger service on 01446 733589, or email Porthkerry@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk.

Local choir sings at WMC

THE St Donat's Atlantic Choral appeared on the Glanfa stage recently.

A sizeable audience gathered to hear an hour long programme which showcased the range of the choir's repertoire.

Passers-by were drawn in by the rousing strains of 'Pastime with good company' written by King Henry the Eighth and stayed to enjoy a musical journey including Vaughan Williams, Cardiff's own Ivor Novello, to finish with Queen and Carly Simon.

The next time the choir will be in action is on December 7 in the 'Glass Room' at St Donat's Arts Centre when the rarely performed (in English) Brahms' 'Marianleider' forms the first part of the concert, while the second part will be a mix of traditional carols, along with other seasonal music and readings.

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Rikishakers in King Square for Noah's Ark

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ON Halloween, October 31, the Rikishakers demonstrated their keep fit routines in King Square, Barry – with a charitable purpose in mind.

The event was in aid of Noah's Ark Appeal and the aim is to raise £10,000 to go towards two machines in the children's hospital.

A spokeswoman for the group said: "It was a brilliant night and we want to thank Jordon and Craig who arranged it all at short notice."



Orange Wallet Scheme offers disabled people vital support

ON Friday, October 31, South Wales Police hosted an event to launch the 'Orange Wallet Scheme' aimed to improve the experiences of disabled people travelling on public transport.

Staff from Arriva Cymru and First Bus Cymru met representatives from the Bridgend Coalition of Disabled People and other local organisations to share experiences and discuss ways to improve travel for those with special access requirements.

The wallet immediately

establishes that the holder has a disability and the leaflet inside is designed to communicate the assistance they require.

Sergeant Angela Bennett said: "These events are hugely important for networking among vulnerable groups, to raise awareness of any particular issues that we as officers need to tackle. This is also an opportunity to work with people to raise their confidence and trust in the police so they can report incidents know they will be taken seriously."

Nathan Foy, engagement officer for Guide Dogs Cymru, said: "Like audio announcements, the orange wallet could give some blind and partially sighted people more confidence to travel on public transport, knowing that drivers and staff are trained to recognise the card and understand the needs of those who carry one".

Vigil outside hospital

MEMBERS of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children held a two hour vigil during visiting hours (6pm – 8pm) to remember with sorrow the passing of the Abortion Act on October 27, 1967.

A spokesman said: "The vigil was held outside a hospital because the NHS pays for 98 per cent of all abortions. It was especially encouraging to welcome Father Fuse from Cardiff to the vigil."

"Also present were Paul Botto,

former development officer for Wales and his wife Diane, Greg Stewart and Ceri McCarthy, chairman of the Wales region, Tony Kells, Rita Costello, Kotalin Naray and Ailsa Lloyd from Barry, Diane Jones and Debbie Pitt from Penarth and Janet and Mike Thomas from Dinas Powys.

"The weather was fine and mild, the cars passing by showed appreciation by toots and waves and our candles added both colour and a sombre note of remembrance, together with our banners which made our message clear."

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The Vale's Cabinet member for the Environment and Visible Services, Councillor Rob Curtis

"Cleaning up fly-tipping costs us all money, the household duty of care regulations are not there to scare people.

They are there to help us work together to combat the blight of fly-tipping, which can be dangerous and potentially harmful to health. It also spoils our enjoyment of the surroundings and can cause serious pollution of the environment."



Vale of Glamorgan Council Enforcement and Compliance Team:

Our team work closely with police and the community to educate, raise awareness of fly tipping and where needed use their enforcement powers to clean up the streets.

Denny White, Senior Enforcement Officer said "Fly-tipping in the Vale blocks access to our lanes. It could be an emergency vehicle trying to get through. Please help us send a clear message that this practice is wrong."

Brian Close explains, "Waste carriers can't use our household waste recycling centres but some traders tell residents they can. Remember, if you're paying them money they are a business, and part of their costs should be used to correctly dispose of your waste."

As Steve from the section adds "Other businesses like supermarkets and bakeries can't use the free sites we provide for residents, so why should these people?"

Thinking of clearing out the garage or shed; having some work done in the house or tidying up your garden?

If you are employing someone to undertake these household jobs for you, help us tackle fly-tipping by reading the following information.

Have you heard of the Household Waste Duty of Care (2005)?

The regulations place a duty of care on the householder to take reasonable measures to ensure that household waste produced on their property is transferred by a registered waste carrier to an authorised disposal centre.

What does this mean?

If you pay anyone, such as, a builder, gardener, or someone who simply calls in and offers to remove waste for you – the law states that **you are responsible for what happens to YOUR waste, once it leaves YOUR home.**

You could be fined up to £5000 in a Magistrate's Court, even more in a Crown Court, if you fail to take reasonable measures to check that:

- operators are legitimate waste carriers
- your waste will be disposed of at an authorised site
- You get a duty of care note from the carrier



Remember the Nine, Avoid a Fine...

- 1 Check if the person or company is genuine and reputable (internet searches or recommendations can both help);
- 2 Remember, if a trader is not a registered waste carrier, there may be no guarantee that your waste will be disposed of legally and it could be fly-tipped;
- 3 Ensure the firm is a registered waste carrier and insist on seeing their paperwork;
- 4 If they claim to be registered but do not have paperwork, telephone Natural Resources Wales: 0300 065 3000 who can verify their details;
- 5 Make a note of their waste carrier's number (if they cannot provide these details you should refuse their service);
- 6 Ask where the person or company you are employing is proposing to take your waste. This cannot be one of the two household waste recycling centres in the Vale;
- 7 Record the registration number of any vehicle removing waste from your home;
- 8 Pay by cheque as payments can be traced if problems should occur at some later stage. If they insist on cash, simply refuse their service;
- 9 Request a headed notepaper receipt.



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Alternatively you can arrange for free collection of certain bulky items from your home. Just contact Visible Services on 01446 700111 or email us for more information: visible@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

The Facts about Fly-tipping:

Fly-tipping is the illegal dumping of waste; it is blight on our towns and countryside and causes a threat to humans and to wildlife.

Each year 36,000 tonnes of waste is reported being fly-tipped in Wales at a cost to the tax payer of **£2.1 million** to clear up.

Fly-tipping is a crime that carries fines of up to **£50,000** or imprisonment.

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Grant for £191,730 given green light ARTS COUNCIL IN BOOST FOR MEMO ARTS CENTRE DIGITAL CINEMA PROJECT

THE Arts Council of Wales Capital Lottery has said it will provide a grant of £191,730 to support the Memo Arts Centre's project of delivering a digital cinema conversion.

A spokeswoman explained: "The Memo has a long established history as a cultural hub for the people of Barry and beyond. As a registered charity, the Memo relies greatly on its funders and its audiences to help and support the development of the venue, its programme and its future success."

"Since the closure of the only cinema in Barry, we have been working towards securing cinema at the Memo for everyone to

enjoy. The Memo currently delivers regular weekly screenings that include blockbusters, specialised world and foreign language films, and family movies on Saturdays and during school holidays – but alas, not as a fully digital cinema.

"Since starting our CINE-MEMO film programme in January 2013, we have screened over 100 mainstream films, alongside our specialised films programme which is supported by Ffilm Cymru.

"New digital cinema equipment will also mean we can bring exciting live streaming productions and events to the Memo stage, like opera, National Theatre, Globe Theatre and RSC events along with BFI archive

screenings as well as the new release blockbusters, which are not available locally."

The spokeswoman went on: "In October 2013, the Memo provided the Arts Council of Wales (ACW) Lottery Capital Division with an expression of interest for capital funding as part of their Phase 2 Digital Cinema Conversion project."

"The Memo has recently received the wonderful and exciting news that our grant application to secure this major investment has been successful."

The grant will enable the Memo to purchase a new digital screen, digital servers and projector, along with digital surround sound and to build a new projection booth.

Bus stop to nowhere angers local resident



LOCAL resident Julie Turner has called on the local council and bus operator to end the saga that sees a purpose-built bus stop situated next to the Crematorium on Port Road East in Barry closed to buses.

The bus stop, costing thousands of pounds to build, has not been used for over a year as it has been deemed unsafe by

Cardiff Bus, the local operator. Mrs Turner met with Vale MP Alun Cairns to highlight the issue that has dragged on for over a year. Mr Cairns has previously written to both the Vale of Glamorgan Council and Cardiff Bus to seek a solution to a problem that sees residents being forced to walk past a purpose built covered stop to catch a local bus.

Mrs Turner from Pencoedre, said: "I am very angry that a bus stop, supposedly built to help local residents like

myself, cannot be used. It must have cost tens of thousands to build, yet the buses that I use simply drive past it. We have to walk a much greater distance, across a very busy fast moving road, to what is nothing more than a stop gap."

Mr Cairns said: "I contacted the local authority and the bus company many months ago, and the bus stop is still not in use. The current situation is frankly ridiculous, some

minor remedial works would get the bus stop open and I see no reason for the delay."

The Vale Council's Michael Clogg, explained that the bus stop was constructed as part of the recent Taylor Wimpey development opposite.

"It serves the 96, 96A & X91 Cardiff bus services as well as the T9 Cardiff Airport Express and a number of school bus services."

"However, Cardiff Bus have advised that due to ongoing highway safety concerns they are unable to use this new bus stop at the present time."

"The council is currently working with Cardiff Bus to address these safety concerns at the earliest opportunity, but in the meantime, Cardiff Bus services can be accessed via the bus stop facility which exists around 200 metres further west on Port Road."

NEWS IN BRIEF

MUSIC at Lunchtime in All Saints' Church, Victoria Square, Penarth takes place every Monday, from 1pm – 2pm. Entry free, teas and coffees provided. Music on Monday, November 10 will be supplied by Peter Fielding (clarinet), Philip Hayman (viola) and Alison Dite (piano). The programme will include works by Beethoven, Sullivan and Bruch.

'Out of Hours' coffee time

DIVERSE Cymru provides a free coffee morning at Barry Library (Philip John Room) on Tuesday, November 11 from 10am – 12pm.

Members of the public will be able to find out more about GP Out of Hours services in the Vale and meet the GP Out of Hours team.

It's also a chance for people to share their views about the service, ask questions and enjoy some free refreshments.

Booking isn't necessary; but to find out more, telephone Diverse Cymru, on 029 2036 8888.

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Cowbridge jeweller represents Wales in UKTI's 'Great Design Week Mexico'

LOCAL designer jeweller, Emma-Kate Francis, was invited to represent the Wales' creative industries sector with the Welsh Government and UKTI on a creative industries knowledge transfer mission to Mexico recently.

UKTI asked Emma-Kate to exhibit her work as part of the 'British Great Design Week Container' exhibition, and at the launch party at the British Ambassador's residence, alongside Lawrence Llewelyn Bowen.

Emma-Kate explained: "It was an

amazing opportunity to partake in Mexico's Design Week and represent Wales! It was fabulous to meet other creatives, too. Mexico has a thriving hub of design talent and the trip really inspired me. There might be some exciting collaborations in the future!"

The contact details for Emma-Kate are: Atelier Emma-Kate Francis, 1st Floor (above High Society), 85 Eastgate, Cowbridge, CF71 7AA; tel: 01446 771656; email: info@emmakatefrancis.com; Facebook/Twitter/Pinterest/LinkedIn: emmakatefrancis.com.

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1. Use your body to create the feelings of confidence. Stand or sit straight, shoulders back with head up. This alters body chemistry and inspires confidence.

2. Prepare for success; visualise how you would like a particular situation to be. Spend a few minutes daily picturing yourself in these positive scenarios, being confident. Pay special attention to the minor details, too.

3. Let go. Confident people are happy when they know they have given it their all. Ensure you prepare, practice, visualise.

4. Accept things can go wrong. Confident people move on.

5. Consider when you have been confident. Notice your thoughts and feelings and what was said and done. From here, create your own template for confidence.

So which tip will you

try first and when?

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About the Aspire2Own scheme...

What is Aspire2Own?

Aspire2Own was created by the Vale of Glamorgan Council and our partner Housing Associations in recognition that first time buyers can often find it difficult to afford a home of their own. The scheme enables people to register their interest in low cost home ownership properties, either now or in the next few years.

Aspire2Own provides a helping hand onto the property ladder for people who are financially stable and able to raise a mortgage, but unable to get onto the housing ladder without assistance. This may be because of the amount of mortgage or deposit required to buy on the open market.

What are low cost home ownership properties?

The low cost home ownership properties available through Aspire2Own are developed in partnership between the Council and Registered Social Landlords.

Most low cost home ownership properties operate on a 'shared equity' basis, which offers first time buyers the opportunity to purchase a property at a lower than market value. An equity share is retained by a Registered Social Landlord at no extra cost to the buyer. This reduces the amount of mortgage required to purchase the property, making it more affordable. When finances allow, the purchaser can staircase at any time up to full ownership.

Depending on where the developments are located, there will be a minimum and maximum income level set. This is done to ensure that applicants can afford the mortgage required, but also to restrict the scheme to households who are unable to buy on the open market.

Where are these properties available?

Properties are most often available on new housing developments. This could be on housing sites built by market house builders or by a Housing Association.

In the last couple of years Aspire2Own has had low cost home ownership properties, both flats and houses, available in Penarth, St Mary Church, Cowbridge and Barry.

Next year there will be low cost home ownership properties available on the following developments:

- Penarth Heights, Penarth
- The Hedgerows, Barry
- St Canna's Green (Fferm Goch), Llangan
- Channel Heights, Trem Echni, Rhosce Point

There are more developments planned for the future in locations across the Vale. If there are housing developments planned in your local area, it is worth contacting Aspire2Own for more information on the low cost home ownership properties available.

Will properties be available in the rural Vale?

On average rural house prices are 40% higher than urban areas, and whilst household earnings are also often higher, many still find it difficult to afford properties on the open market.

In response to this, the Council aims to secure low cost home ownership properties on housing developments in the rural Vale. Priority for these properties is given to local people through the development of local sales policies. This enables local people to remain in the rural communities they grew up in, work in and contribute to.

"Aspire2Own provides a helping hand onto the property ladder"

Who can register with Aspire2Own?

Anyone can apply to Aspire2Own, as this is simply a register of people interested in low cost home ownership.

By joining Aspire2Own you are not obliged to apply for any properties which become available and there is no limit on how long you can remain on the Aspire2Own register.

When low cost home ownership properties are available there are eligibility criteria which apply. For example applicants need to:

- Live or work in the Vale, or have a valid local connection
- Be able to raise a mortgage, but unable to afford to buy on the open market.

Currently, the scheme is only available to first time buyers; however we will consider the eligibility criteria on a site-by-site basis, so people who have owned a property before are still able to register with Aspire2Own.

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How do I register to Aspire2Own?

To register you need to fill in the Aspire2Own form. The form is available online or as a paper copy. If you need any further information or assistance please do not hesitate to get in touch.

What's next once I have registered?

We will inform you when properties become available in the area you are interested in. You can then choose whether to apply to purchase a property.

If you do wish to be considered for an available property we will send you further information and an application pack.

The information collected by Aspire2Own, about where people want to live, the size of property they would like and their income will also help the Council to future plan for new low cost home ownership properties in the Vale of Glamorgan.





Commemorating the centenary of the First World War WE WILL REMEMBER THEM



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Arthur Wynne Jones

He was born in Llanfyllin in Montgomeryshire and may have moved to south Wales to work in the Glamorganshire coalfield. He enlisted in Pontypridd where 1/5th Welch Regiment had its headquarters.

Arthur was probably involved in building coastal defences in readiness for an anticipated German invasion in East Anglia. His connection with Cowbridge is yet to be discovered.

Along with the Dunn brothers Arthur subsequently left on the SS Huntsgreen, and with eight other grossly overloaded troopships spent three sweltering weeks to steam across the Mediterranean Sea for an assault landing at Suvla Bay on the Gallipoli peninsula.

The battalion was ordered to take Scimitar Hill. This was the same ill-fated attack that claimed the lives of Jack and Frank Dunn of Llanblethian, and Arthur also lost his life there.

Arthur Wynne Jones and the two Dunn brothers have no known graves but are commemorated on the Helles Memorial at the end of the Gallipoli peninsula.

William Easton Lane

William Eaton Lane was born in 1893 in Cowbridge. He was the eldest of five sons (and one daughter) of Sidney and Mary Lane, who lived at 6, Westgate Street, Cowbridge. In 1911 William was working as a railway clerk.

He enlisted at Newport joining the South Wales Borderers, trained at Colwyn Bay and arrived in France on

active service on December 4, 1915. He was involved in action at the Somme the following July.

The Welsh Division, of which the SWB was part, suffered enormous casualties at Mametz Wood and was withdrawn from the front line and transferred to Flanders.

Welsh troops were not involved in any major offensive near Ypres, but normal trench duty was always dangerous and William was killed in action on August 23, 1916 aged 23. His grave is in Essex Farm cemetery north of Ypres.

Charles Lewis

Charles was born in Cowbridge in 1898. He was the only son of Alfred and Elizabeth Lewis and the family lived at Croft Street (then known as Taff Street) in 1901.

By 1911 the family had moved to Aberthin Road and Charles was older brother to Florence and Esther. Father Alfred was a plasterer.

Charles enlisted at Bridgend, joining the Royal Field Artillery but later transferred to the 'Tanks' which was originally the Heavy Section of the Machine Gun Corps before being renamed the Tank Corps in June 1916. These new caterpillar tracked vehicles first came into action in September 1916.

Charles Lewis died of wounds on July 23, 1916, aged only 17. His grave is in the British cemetery at Roye, south east of Amiens.

Frederick Charles Lord

Fred was born at Brooke, a Norfolk village about five miles south of Norwich on July 10, 1891. He was the second of three sons of Henry John

and Maria Lord who in both the 1901 and 1911 census returns were living in Norfolk.

It appears that prior to enlisting in the army at Cardiff, probably in 1914, Fred was Police Constable 634 in the Glamorgan Constabulary and was based in Cowbridge.

He was following in his father's footsteps as father Henry was a Superintendent of Police in 1911.

His army record shows he was sent to France on October 5, 1914, but other information indicates his division landed at Zeebrugge on October 7, suggesting he was in 1st Battalion. They saw action at Ypres with the loss of all but four officers and 200 men.

Fred died of wounds on September 14, 1916, and is buried in an extension to Corbie Communal Cemetery about 15km east of Amiens.

The Glamorgan Gazette wrote about him on September 29, 1916: "When stationed at Cowbridge he won the respect of everyone, his attention to duty, his unassuming disposition and genial personality made for him a host of friends."

His name appears on the Roll of Honour of the Glamorgan Constabulary.

Morris James Marsden

Morris was born in Silian, Cardiganshire, in 1895. He was the youngest of three sons of John and Mary Ann Marsden. There were also six daughters and the family lived in Rhydybannau, a large farm south of Crybyn in both 1901 and 1911.

There is no known record of his living in Cowbridge but a member of the Marsden family has confirmed that before his enlistment, he had been

employed at one of the three banks then flourishing in Cowbridge; the London provincial (now Barclays), the Metropolitan Bank of England & Wales (HSBC) or the National Provincial (Nat West), so in all probability he did live in the town.

Little is also known of his military career. He was a member of the Glamorgan Yeomanry, and embarked for France in March 1917.

He was killed in action during the Battle of the Menin Road on September 25, 1917, aged 22, but has no known grave. His name is inscribed on the Tyne Cott memorial north east of Ypres.

Arthur Stuart Miles

Arthur was born in Cowbridge in 1896.

He was the third son of four (and one daughter) of Frederick Augustus and Wilmot Agnes Miles. In 1901 the family lived at either 4 or 6 High Street, where Arthur's father had a grocery shop.

Father Frederick died in 1905 but Mrs Miles continued managing the business and was still doing so in 1915. Arthur was assisting her in the business at the time of the 1911 census.

Only just 18 when war was declared, Arthur must have volunteered for the army almost immediately; he enlisted at Newport, choosing to join 1st Monmouthshire, maybe because uniforms, rifles and training were acquired more quickly by enlisting in a territorial battalion than in one of Kitchener's New Army battalions.

Arthur was sent to France in June 1915. He may have been a member of

a Pioneer battalion, assigned responsibility for trench maintenance, drainage, road building and light railway construction.

Pioneers were trained soldiers and in addition to this work were used in both attack and defence. Arthur was killed in action near the Hohenzollern Redoubt on October 13, 1915, aged 19.

His grave is in the Arras Road cemetery in the village of Roelincourt between Lens and Lille.

David Miles

David was the eldest of the 10 children of David and Angelina Miles. He was born in 1897 in Cadoxton, Barry.

After leaving school at 14, he worked at Ysguborgoch Farm, St Andrews Major, moving a year later with the farmer, Mr Jones, to Hollybush Farm on Stalling Down.

Early in 1913 the Miles family moved from Eastbrook, Dinas Powys, where they lived at the time of the 1911 census, to live at Rock House and then to The Malthouse, Llanblethian, from where David enlisted on September 4, 1914. He was three months short of his 17th birthday, still only a boy, whose prize possessions were his Raleigh bicycle and a mouth organ.

David went to France on January 11, 1915, and when he was killed in action on May 9, 1915, was two years under the age for military service overseas.

He died at Richebourg, St Vaast, probably in the same failed attack on Aubers ridge in which William James died. David has no known grave. His name is on Le Touret Memorial.

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PRESIDENT'S BALL IS A STUNNING SUCCESS FOR PROSTATE CYMRU



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A RECENT event to raise funds for Prostate Cymru – the Cowbridge-based charity – raised a stunning £40,000.

It was about a year ago when David Brace, OBE, became president of the charity, and to mark the end of his first year in office, he organised the inaugural 'Presidents Ball' at The Tower Hotel, Briton Ferry, to raise funds for the treatment of prostate cancer in Wales.

It was attended by Warren Gatland and his wife Trudi, Eddie Butler (who compered the raffle) and Jayne James (the former BBC Wales broadcaster) and her husband Rob.

David Brace told The GEM: "We had a fantastic demand for the event, with 240 buying tickets. We could have sold the event twice over, and will aim to do so next year!"

The evening started at 7.30pm and included an auction, raffle and music provided by local band 'Souled Out'.

In total of £40,000 was made during the auction and donations.

There were some extremely generous donations and bids made, and auctioned lots included a luxury holiday in Marbella, a VIP day's racing at Chepstow and a box at the next Wales v England match, among others.

David Brace added: "We are already taking bookings for next year's President's Ball, and anyone interested should contact me or my wife Dawn on 01656 742313".



MP meets Vale youth mayor and the cabinet



From left to right: Emily Peters, Ellis Rosser, Tom Chandler, Stephen Doughty MP, Alun Cairns MP, Emme Srinivas, Candy Srinivas, Niclas Want.

VALE MP Alun Cairns met the new Vale Youth Mayor Tom Chandler and his cabinet during a trip to Westminster recently.

The Vale youth cabinet visited Mr Cairns at the House of Commons for a tour of the parliamentary estate, and held a question and answer session with the group.

Mr Cairns said: "Having both been elected with 3,000 votes, Tom and Emily are an impressive example of how to get youngsters interested in politics. It was a real privilege to host the cabinet and show them the inner workings of Parliament."

WHAT'S ON - In brief

Holiday bookings

VALE of Glamorgan Association of National Trust is reminding members and volunteers that bookings for the May 2015 holiday need to be in by November 10. Christmas lunch booking forms are also now due. The next talk on Wednesday, November 19 is by Dr Jonathan Hicks - 'Barry and The Great War' - 7.30pm in The Duke of Wellington.

There will be an afternoon talk at Dyffryn about the Hidcote/Dyffryn connection at 2pm on Wednesday, December 3. New members welcome.

Anti-war production
OH What a Lovely War is

Everyman Theatre's new production at Chapter Arts Centre from November 11 - 15.

Director Jackie Hurley said: "Unfortunately, we don't seem to have learnt much in the 100 years that have passed since the outbreak of World War One. War, and the destruction it brings, are still very much with us in the 21st century."

Curtain Up is at 7.30pm (matinee Saturday, November 15, 2.30pm).

Call 02920 304400 or visit www.chapter.org for tickets.

World Games, Los Angeles is dream for local athletes



Welsh competitors are seeking help to be able to attend the World Games in Los Angeles.

SPECIAL Olympics Great Britain has just announced that Wales has seven athletes and two coaches selected to be part of the Special Olympics GB Team to attend the World Games in Los Angeles 2015.

They include James Savory

from Barry, Adrian Abbott from Llantwit, and coach Angela Frayling from Sully.

Chairman Jeff Savory of Special Olympics Wales said: "We have a big task ahead to help fund these athletes and coaches to attend this prestigious event, each athlete will have to find £2,500."

"If there is anyone interested

in sponsoring or arranging a fundraising event on our behalf, please contact us."

Jeff can be contacted on 0780 316 5581; and by email at the following address:

jeff@specialolympicswales.co.uk. Online donations can be made at Just Giving / Jeff Savory, by text writing: text JUVL91 £? To 70070."

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Commemorating the centenary of the First World War WE WILL REMEMBER THEM



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Edward Miles

Ted Miles, born in Cirencester, Gloucestershire, in 1896, was a cousin of David Miles, his mother being a sister of David Miles senior.

His mother died young and Ted, after some years living in a children's home, lived with his uncle, David Miles and his family in Dinas Powys changing his name from Brown to Miles. He worked as a chauffeur for a Dr Costello in Dinas Powys before enlisting in Carmarthen.

He was sent to France in December 1914 and served in Flanders. No information is available of his service in France until 1917.

The 3rd Battle of Ypres officially ended on November 10, 1917, after the capture of Passchendaele ridge, but the Ypres Salient continued to be hazardous and Edward Miles died of wounds on December 31, 1917, at one of three casualty clearing stations at Dozinghem. His grave is at Dozinghem Military cemetery.

Aubrey Lloyd Morgan

Aubrey was born early in 1894 in Cowbridge. He was the oldest of two sons and two daughters of Thomas Morgan, a master mariner from Llandaff, Cardiff and his wife Emily Ann from Llandovery. At the time of the 1901 census they lived at the Bridge, 5 High Street, and in 1911 at Glanlough House, 1 High Street, Cowbridge.

By 1915 the family was living at Cusop at the junction of Love Lane and Broadway, having previously also lived at Greenfield.

Aubrey was one of the many thousands of young men who responded to Kitchener's call for volunteers to serve in the New Army, enlisting in the Royal Sussex Regiment Cowbridge with Owen Evans. Both men are listed in Glamorgan Gazette's Roll of Honour of October 23, 1914.

The regiment trained in England until May 1915 and landed in Boulogne on June 1, 1915, going into action on September 30, north east of Loos. After initial success the Battle of Loos had resulted in small gains of territory but continued with heavy casualties.

Aubrey was one of those casualties and was killed in action on October 21, 1915, aged 21. He has no known grave and is commemorated on the Loos Memorial.

Richard Thomas Morgan

Richard, born in Penarth in September 1886, was the son of a railway signalman, also named Richard, from Llyswoyney, and his wife Mary from Llandcadle.

By 1888 the family had moved to Cowbridge and in 1901 the parents, with seven children including Richard, were living at 10 Eastgate. The younger Richard was working as a railway clerk.

By 1911 he had left home and was still working on the railways and lodging in Barry. Later that year he emigrated to Australia.

On January 6, 1916, Richard enlisted at Brisbane, Queensland. His trade was noted as mechanic. Six months later he sailed for England, via Cape Town – where Richard overstayed his shore leave by six hours, which cost him a day's pay!

The ship reached Plymouth at the end of July, and he then spent four months training in England. Hopefully, he was able to be reunited with his family and friends in Cowbridge before he went to France in November 1916.

Throughout 1916, preparatory action had taken place south of Ypres in undermining the Messines and Wustschaeete ridges where 21 long mining galleries were driven from the British lines towards the ridges, ending in chambers which were filled with a million tons of highly explosive ammonal.

At 3.10am on June 7, 1917, 19 mines were detonated followed by intensive artillery bombardments. Richard was involved in a second wave attack and the ridges were captured.

He died on June 12, 1917, from

wounds he received in the action. His grave is in the Trois Arbres cemetery east of Bailleul.

Harold Otto William Moynan

Harold was the younger of the two sons of Dr Richard Moynan and his wife Emma and was born in Newport Mon in 1886.

Dr Moynan was the medical officer of health for the borough of Cowbridge and at some date between 1901 and 1911 moved from Llwyncelyn in Eastgate to Woodstock House in the High Street.

Harold and older brother Richard enlisted before October 1914. Harold joined the South Wales Borderers (Brecknockshire) territorial battalion, although it is unlikely he was serving with this battalion at the time of his death as the Brecknockshires spent almost the entire wartime years in India.

Harold was killed in action on July 31, 1917, aged 30, on the first day of the 3rd Battle of Ypres, an offensive which would grind on for a further three months.

He has no known grave and his name is recorded on the Menin Gate Memorial at Ypres.

William David Owen

William is something of a mystery. Little has been discovered about him, especially any link with Cowbridge.

He was in the OTC (Officer Training Corps) and on October 17, 1917, the London Gazette announced his promotion from Cadet to Temporary 2nd Lieutenant in the Welsh Regiment. He appears to have held a temporary commission in the 38th (Welsh) Division, 114th Brigade.

The book *Carmarthen Pals: A History of 15th Battalion the Welsh Regiment* records the battalion in action in the vicinity of the Premonst to Esnes Road, in northern France close to the Belgian border on October 9, 1918, and William died of his wounds on October 11, 1918.

Mysteriously, his grave is in the communal cemetery of St Germain-aumont-d'or, a village about eight miles north of Lyon, some 370 miles away. The inscription on his grave records him as being a member of the 15th battalion Welsh Regiment, but does not include his army number.

His army record has his widow's address in Southsea, Hants. An Ivy Keturah Hutchings lived at that address with her parents in 1911 and a marriage is recorded in Portsmouth in 1917 of a William David Owen and an Ivy K Hutchings. Unfortunately, there is no access to information which might help trace his origins.

His name appears on the Pontypridd memorial as well as that of Cowbridge; the criteria for inclusion suggests he must have had some connection with that area.

Alexander Pate(s)

Alexander was born in 1887 in Aberdeen, the son of an Irish father, George Holden Pate. He was either the second or third of 12 children, as he was one of twins.

By 1891 he was living with father George and three elder brothers in Alphonson near Tiverton in Devon. George married Emily Gitsham, who was some 30 years younger, in 1889 and the family moved to Cardiff around 1894/5.

Alexander was in the Welsh Regiment, and at the time of the 1911 census was stationed in the Abbassia Barracks, Cairo, Egypt. At the same time his twin brother, Archibald, was in the Royal Navy and was on board ship in China and the East Indies.

Alexander joined the Post Office as a postman in May 1913 in Cardiff. He appears to have been attached to the Barry office and an entry in the South Wales Echo on December 1, 1914, indicates he was a postman at Cowbridge.

Alexander, a bandsman as well as a soldier, was probably called up as a reservist and entered France on military service on August 27, 1914.

In late October the British Expeditionary Force was forced into

desperate defence against the Germans near Ypres. They suffered heavy losses when attacked on October 23, when Alexander was wounded, and he died of his wounds on October 26, 1914, aged 27 – just three days after his name was published in the Glamorgan Gazette Roll of Honour on October 23. His grave is located in Poperinghe old cemetery which is 10.5 km west of Ypres.

In addition to the Cowbridge memorial, Alexander's name appears on the Barry PO memorial, the Cardiff Post Office Roll of Honour, the Grange Town (Cardiff) memorial, the Grange Town Roll of Honour and the Scottish National War memorial.

James William Payne (recorded as Joshua Payne on the memorial)

James, the eldest son, of seven sons and one daughter, of William James and Francis May Payne, was born in 1893 in South Shields, County Durham, where father James was a housebuilder.

In the 1911 census James, only 18 years old at the time, is described as a 'pupil/teacher' at Cowbridge Grammar School. He, like Ronald Wall who died in 1915, had been an assistant master at Cowbridge Grammar School.

James enlisted in the Durham Light Infantry, which was a territorial battalion, and which was mobilized on August 4, 1914, at Bishop Auckland as part of the 50th (Northumberland) Division 151st Brigade. They landed at Boulogne in April 1915 and suffered very heavy casualties in the 2nd Battle of Ypres.

50th Division was involved in the 1st Battle of the Scarpe. James was killed in action on April 14, 1917, aged 24, and has no known grave. His name is inscribed on the Arras memorial.

David Robert Spencer.

One of only two men commemorated on the Cowbridge memorial, who did not wear an army uniform. David was born in 1883 in Cowbridge, the youngest of three sons of Thomas and Margaret Spencer.

In 1891, Thomas was recorded as a brewer and innkeeper and the family was living at the Duke of Wellington.

Thomas died in 1894 and Margaret took over the running of 'the Duke' with eldest son Arthur and was still there in 1901. David had left home and was living in Neath and was employed in engineering.

David married Laurie Glaister Bradbury in 1912 in Cardiff. Laurie is recorded as living at Lake Road East, Roath Park, Cardiff.

David joined the Merchant Navy and was Second Engineer on the SS Portloe, registered at Cardiff. The year 1917 was the worst of the war for British merchant shipping losses due to enemy submarine attacks, and Portloe was torpedoed, west of Ireland, on April 20, 1917 and David died at sea, aged 39.

In addition to the Cowbridge Memorial, David's name is inscribed on the Tower Hill Memorial in London to the men of the merchant marine and fishing fleets.

John Arthur Stockwood

Arthur Stockwood was born in Cowbridge in 1878. He was the eldest of five sons of John and Rachel Stockwood who in 1891 lived at Woodstock House in Cowbridge High Street.

Father, John Stockwood, was a solicitor and Arthur, after attending the grammar school, also qualified as a solicitor. Arthur married Beatrice Ethel Davies in Carmarthen in late 1905 and in 1910 was living next door to his parents at 81 High Street.

In the 1911 census he is shown as living in Park Street, Bridgend, and was in practice as a solicitor with his uncle S H Stockwood.

Despite his age, mid-thirties, and family responsibilities – Arthur was married and the father of three children – he enlisted in Cardiff, joining the Rifle Brigade, soon after Kitchener's appeal for volunteers.

He was rapidly promoted to corporal then sergeant and had applied for a

commission in the Welch Regiment at the time of his death.

By September 1916, Arthur had served in France for 14 months; but his luck was due to run out. On September 3, Arthur's division launched a successful attack and captured the ruined village of Guillemont, which had been one of the strongest fortified villages in the German line and a major British objective since the opening of the Somme offensive.

Arthur was killed in action on that day, aged 48, and has no known grave. His name is inscribed on the Battle of the Somme Memorial at Thiepval.

Thomas Frederick Hastings Torney

Tommy Torney was born early in 1898 and was the only son of Dr. Richard Hastings Torney and his wife Jessie, who in 1901 all lived at Sorrento in Cowbridge High Street. Father Hastings, who would be commissioned as a captain in the Royal Army Medical Corps early in 1917, was born in Ireland.

According to the Glamorgan Gazette of September 13, 1918, Tommy was commissioned on his 17th birthday and had been in France for two years when he died, which implies that he joined his battalion, aged 18, in September 1916, after it had been transferred from the Somme battlefield to Flanders for rest, refit and reinforcement with fresh drafts from south Wales.

Tommy was killed in action on September 3, 1918 aged 20. His name, like William Archer's is inscribed on the Vis-en-Artois Memorial. The report of his death in the Glamorgan Gazette was on the same page as that of William Burley.

William Trew

Willie was born in early 1895, the eldest of four sons and two daughters of James Trew of St Athan, and his Llanblethian born wife Catherine. In the 1901 census, father James is recorded as an agricultural labourer and the family, including Willie, were living near The Mill in Llanblethian.

By 1911 they were living in Pretoria Cottage, Llanblethian, Willie being employed as a colliery labourer. The family had moved to Westgate, Cowbridge, before Willie's death and had another son serving in France to worry about, whilst a third had been discharged badly wounded.

Willie was living in Cowbridge when he enlisted in Cardiff and joined the Welch Regiment. He probably transferred to the 1st Leicesters during the February 1918 army reorganization and was serving with the machine-gun section when he was killed on July 21, 1918 aged 23. His grave is in the Nine Elms British cemetery near Poperinghe, west of Ypres.

A report in the Glamorgan Gazette August 2, 1918 contains the following "He was in the machine gun section and while engaged in a hot fight was fatally struck. His CO, in a sympathetic letter, speaks of him as a splendid soldier, and states that just before he received his death blow, had accounted for a number of the enemy and silenced one of their machine guns."

Ronald Sinclair Wall

Ronald was born in the second half of 1891 in Hampstead, Middlesex. His second name was registered as Shackell in the birth register, military records have it as Schockell but it is also recorded as St Clair and Sinclair.

The 1901 census shows him at the Llandow school where his grandmother, Emma Wall from Ipswich, Suffolk, was the school mistress. He was educated at Cowbridge Grammar school where he was also, for a short period, an assistant master. The 1911 census describes him as a schoolmaster student.

Ronald Wall enlisted in Cardiff so it is somewhat strange that he should have served with the Northumberland Fusiliers 'Tyneside Irish' battalion which mobilized in Newcastle-on-Tyne on November 9, 1914.

After basic training the battalion moved at the end of August 1915 to Salisbury Plain, where Ronald died,

aged 23, on October 15, 1915. The cause of his death is unknown but he probably died in the very large (1,200 beds) hutted military hospital at Sutton Veny, near Warminster, Wiltshire. His grave is in St John's churchyard in Sutton Veny.

Herbert Dudley Williams

Herbert was born in Cowbridge towards the end of 1896. He was the only son of John and Morfydd Williams, who also had two daughters.

In 1901, the family of seven was living in 89 Eastgate. Father John Williams also owned the adjoining property, known as London House, where he had a thriving business as a draper, with workshops for tailoring and millinery.

The family was still resident in 89 Eastgate and the business continued in the 1911 census. Herbert was born in Cowbridge and attended the grammar school.

In 1914, at just 18, he enlisted in Bristol joining the 12th Gloucesters (Bristol) Service battalion. He landed in France towards the end of 1915.

Herbert Williams died of wounds on September 3, 1916, barely 20 years of age. His grave is in Dive-Coppe British cemetery about 20kms north of Amiens.

William H Williams

William probably died as a result of his war service on February 4, 1919, and his grave is in Llanblethian churchyard. It's so sad that we know so little of this young man who sacrificed his life.

The birth of a William Henry Williams was registered at Bridgend in 1899, as was the death of a William Williams, aged 19, during the same quarter of the year William is known to have died. (Registration information is only publically available for quarters).

In addition, a William Henry Williams, the only son plus five daughters, of Henry and Emily Williams, Factory Road, Llanblethian, is recorded in the 1901 and 1911 census returns, aged two and twelve respectively. The dates of his birth, his death and his burial at Llanblethian Church strongly suggest this is our man.

The service record for William H Williams gives no date information but shows service commencing in the Welsh Regiment with a transfer to the Royal Army Medical Corps and his progression to Acting Sergeant.

His name is listed on the Roll of Honour in Holy Cross church with no further details and no records were kept by the CWGC of soldiers who had left the army due to their injuries.

William Willmott (correctly recorded as Willmott by the CWGC)

William was born in Llantrithyd in 1888. He was the son and eldest child of Fred and Margaret Willmott who still lived in Llantrithyd at the time of the 1891 census.

By 1901, the family had moved to St Hilary and William had gained a younger brother and sister. William married Ethel May Firman Ward in St Saviour's Church in Paddington in late 1909.

In the marriage banns, he gives his residence as St Iltydd's Parish, Llantwit Major. In the 1911 census he is living at The Court, Llantwit Major, and he and his wife have a two-month-old daughter, Eleanor May Firman Willmott. He was working as a haulier.

William joined the Royal Sussex Regiment and was sent to France on January 11, 1915. The British Expeditionary Force, of which his regiment was part, suffered heavy casualties in the action at Aubers ridge during the 2nd Battle of Ypres in May 1915.

William's regiment was involved in an attack at Loos on September 25, 1915, and William was killed in action that day, probably in the attack on the Hohenzollern Redoubt. His grave is in St Mary's advanced dressing station cemetery near Haisnes.

BARRY RFC RUGBY ROUND-UP

SECONDS AND THIRDS PUT IN THE EFFORT... but it's the ladies team who come away with a win against Maesteg

BARRY Seconds XV travelled to high flying Rhiwbina in more hope than expectation.

Without a coach or many regular players to choose from, manager Ken Chow's cause was not helped by selected players failing to turn up on the day. As it was, Chow lifted the backline from the 3rd XV, bringing in Mike van Birgelen for his first 2nd XV start, and also introducing David Evans, Michael Avoiient and Chris Bailey into the line-up. The chaotic preparations meant that Barry were unable to fill the entire replacement bench with Chow himself as substitute.

The game got off to a predictable start with Rhiwbina dominating and scoring in the opening minutes. Just when Barry had some possession and field position, disaster struck again when a collision in midfield ended up with Dave Evans concussed and requiring ambulatory care.

Barry tried to rally but were visibly shaken by the serious nature of the injury, and the reshuffle in an already patched-up backline saw Rhiwbina firmly gain the initiative.

James Sullivan came on at halftime to form a formidable front row with Lee Turnbull and Ashley Brown, and Barry did have some control in the set piece area, but found themselves wanting in open play as they did not have the structure to compete with the quality of the home side.

There were some outstanding individual defensive performances, particularly from Jack Giddings, and several times the away side found themselves on the Rhiwbina line, but ultimately Barry came home empty-handed.

There was still time for substitute Chow to cynically concede a penalty try at the death, but while the result was a negative one, the positive note is that the injured Evans received an all-clear from the University Hospital and was released on the same day.

The club would like to thank the care afforded to him by both sets of physios and the ambulatory care staff on this matter. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Barry 2nd XV will hope the four week international break will trim down the crippling injury list when they return to league action on December 6 to host Rumney, while 3rd XV are at home to Sea View.

The Barry darts league round-up

IN the matches taking place on October 24, The Billy Ghosts kept up their fine start to the season by winning away to the Mariners 15-6.

The BFC Allsorts also maintained their 100 per cent record by winning 13-8, at the Park Hotel, against the Weasels.

The Plastics got their first win of the season with a 13-8 win over the Tynwydd and the Wanderers beat the Hell Raiders 18-3.

The Poachers faced a trip to Rhoeose, to play the Runways, and came back with a comfortable 18-3 victory.

In the last game of the week the Caddy Cons Raiders beat the Loungers 16-5; Billy Kilgour hit a 180 and J Walters hit a 108 out shot during the match.

In the matches on October 31, The Billy Ghosts' unbeaten run came to an end. The Plastics hit the winning double in the final game to come away from the

Billy with a 11-10 victory, but the Billy Ghosts remain top of the league.

The Mariners move into second place with a 15-6 away win against the Caddy Cons Raiders. The Cwm Talwg were away to the Park Weasels and had a comfortable 17-4 win.

The Poachers are third in the table after an entertaining victory over the Wanderers. During the match, Ray Way of the Poachers hit a 180. Ray Peterson and Lee Chatwell from the Wanderers also hit 180s on the night.

The Loungers got their first win of the season with a 14-7 win against the Hell Raiders.

The only other two unbeaten sides in the league both maintained their winning records.

The BFC Allsorts won 15-6 against the Runways and the Dockers won 12-9 away to the Tynwydd, despite Phil Browne of the Tynwydd hitting a 180. **RL**

Team: Poole; van Birgelen, D Evans, Avoiient, Bailey; McCann, Dimond; Heard, Turnbull, Brown; Dutton, Case; Rolfe ©, Giddings, J Evans. Replacements: Sullivan, Thomas, Chow. Man-of-the-match: Giddings.

Barry Thirds XV were hoping to bring their poor run of results to an end as they travelled to Pentrych.

Manager Frank Greig had the luxury of a replacement bench for this away friendly, and with the surplus of numbers it saw Ken Chow playing for a numerically inferior Pentrych on the wing.

The away side started off brightly and a simple move into midfield saw Mike Avoiient sprint the length of the pitch to score in the corner. Newly-appointed captain Ashley Forrester converted from out wide to give Barry a 7-0 lead. It was not to last long however, as 14-men Pentrych rallied to take advantage of some feeble tackling to score two tries.

Barry replied when scrum-half Rhidian Mephram sniped through to score, but this time the try was unconverted to leave the scores level. Barry were having a tough time at the scrum against an experienced unit, and were also frequently turned over in the tight with a lack of commitment in the contact area. Despite this, captain Forrester managed to intercept from his own half and ran the length of the pitch to score to give the away side the lead.

This did not last long though. After the withdrawal of Mephram, thereby forcing a shuffling of the back division, the away side imploded. What followed was a series of missed tackles, lost scrums, poor decision making and aimless rugby, which the home side fully took advantage of. At halftime the score was 38-19.

The second half fared little better for Barry, as Pentrych racked up the try count to go past the half century. Despite a better scrum, especially with the introduction of James Sullivan, the Barry defence leaked tries in the second interval and soon the game was completely out of reach for the visitors.

Barry finally rallied late on in an attempt to make the score respectable. After Mike Jones powered over from the blindside, brushing aside a feeble tackle by Chow, Dave Evans set up Jason Thomas to score in the corner.

Barry had the final say when Avoiient intercepted a lofty pass to race through and score under the posts, adding the conversion himself.

Team: Lee; Thomas, Forrester ©, Avoiient, Rees; Bailey, Mephram; J Thomas, Quigley, Ring; Hall, Deyes; D Evans, Jones, J Evans. Replacements: Sullivan, van Birgelen, McCann. Man-of-the-match: Chow.

KC

LADIES IMPRESS IN WIN OVER MAESTEG

Barry Ladies welcomed Maesteg for the latest crunch game between the two sides.

It was noticeable that the preparation for the game was more structured. This enabled Barry to start positively and take the game to the visitors.

It was evident that there was no love lost with both sides putting in big hits. With the Barry forwards forcing Celtic backwards, the ball fell loose. Maesteg countered and used their speedy backs to out flank the home defence to score their first points.

In recent fixtures Barry's heads would have gone down, but not in this game. There was renewed confidence and utilising the home slope Barry started turning the screw. After several phases of play the backs manufactured a massive overlap, which Jones (c) overlooked and managed to power over for the equalising score.

The game was then nip and tuck with Barry having to defend heroically. The odd yardstick caused problems and Maesteg managed to take the lead again with their backs. Barry came back into the game when centre Cashman crashed over, after brilliant link-up play from forwards and backs alike. This time crucially the conversion was kicked and Barry took the lead at 12-10.

With advice from the coaching staff in their ears, Barry were not about to let Maesteg back into the game. The home team controlled the majority of the second half and showed glimpses of the hard work that has been carried out on the training pitch.

With the Barry forwards setting the platform in the scrums and lineouts the backs were able to utilise the wide spaces. From one such move the ball came out to Potter who took a wide arch and sprinted past the desperate Maesteg defence, touching down behind the posts. The conversion was easily slotted over by Richards.

Maesteg heads appeared to go down and the home side smelt the sweet smell of revenge and searched for the try bonus point.

This was achieved by Jones who legally snuck through a gaping hole in the Maesteg defence from a driving maul. She was able to outprint the cover defence and score underneath the posts. The conversion was successful, making the score 26-10.

Maesteg came back into the fore and were desperate to add to their points tally but Barry were equally determined to prevent this. This was demonstrated aptly by Cashman who charged into a Maesteg centre, forcing the knock-on with the try line metres away.

O'Neill then picked up the loose ball and sprinted

off and the final whistle sparked wild celebrations. The management team could not single out one person for woman of the match, and gave it to the whole team as recognition for the gusty committed team effort displayed.

Team: O'Neil, Wally, Jones, Cashman, Banister, Williams, Shanahan, Yapp, Potter, S Williams, Coleman, Reed, Richards, Horne, Dix. Replacements: Rees, Phillips.

The management and coaches would like to say a massive well done for the effort and determination shown in the last few games. This game was a turning point in our season - thanks for all the support from the club and supporters.

We would also like to thank all the sponsors this season who have helped provide our brand new kit - Gary Watson, Three Horseshoes, The GEM, Attractive Driveways, PDS Survey Solutions, Class of 58 and Frank Greig.

The next fixture will be away at Croesy on Sunday, November 16. The Bombettes are always welcoming new players - training days are Tuesday 8-9pm at Barry Rugby Club, Thursday 7-8pm at Bryn Hafren school; any information or questions please contact team manager Rachel Baron on 07889742153.

AM/RB

Sully Bridge Club results

MONDAY, October 27, North/South:

1st Peter Millar/Marck Roderick 59.72, 2nd Trish Tracy/Mike Hurst 57.87, 3rd Anne Johns/John Pikoulis 57.64. East/West: 1st Anne MacDougal/Anne Hilary Jones 64.35, 2nd Helen Jordan/Marjorie Morgan 60.88, 3rd Pam Sherman/Pat Verdon 59.99.

Wednesday, October 29, North/South: 1st Peter Millar/Trish Tracy 59.26, 2nd Shirley Powell/Pat Verdon 59.03, 3rd Peter Blackwell/Brian Gardner 55.56.

East/West: 1st Tish Beere/Anita Charles 63.89, 2nd Moira Currie/Vivien Liles 63.66, 3rd Anne MacDougal/Anne Hilary Jones 56.71.

Saturday, November 1, North/South: 1st Peter Millar/Trish Tracy 64.44, 2nd Kay Dyer/Reg Dyer 60.00, 3rd Richard Allely/Beryl Marke 54.44. East/West: 1st Sue Knight/Brian Knight 62.38, 2nd Pat Verdon/Pam Sherman 54.29, 3rd Brenda Shepherd/Una Gavin 51.90.

EK

Sully bowlers are in fine form

SULLY Indoor BC travelled to Pontypridd on Saturday to play their six rink Club Championship match against Taff Ely, hoping to get back to winning ways having lost at home to Blaenau Gwent the previous week.

Taff Ely are a difficult side to beat on their own carpet as results have shown in previous years and with Taff Ely only having three rinks, sides have to play three rinks at 10am until 2pm and three rinks playing the second session from 2pm and 6pm.

Sully were fortunate to have most of their players available to play in their rinks and positions as normal. The morning session skips of Ken McLeod, Brian Griffiths and Matthew Woodcock started confidently and after the fifth end Sully held a narrow lead, 19-16, but by the 10th end the lead had changed with Taff Ely now holding a two shot advantage, 33-35.

Between the 11th and 15th end the Sully rinks lost their way with Woodcock's rink holding their

own while Griffiths and McLeod struggled, losing 11 shots between them, leaving a deficit of 16 shots, 38-54.

All Sully rinks fought hard but by the end of the game only McLeod managed to salvage a point, drawing 20-20, with Griffiths and Woodcock losing by six and five shots respectively, leaving a deficit of 11 shots for the afternoon boys to make up, the score lying at 58-69.

The afternoon rinks, skipped by Brian Foscolo, Martin Clarke and Fred Phillips, got off to a tremendous start, taking the initiative and reducing the opponents' overall lead to four after the fifth end.

Sully expected the afternoon rinks of Taff Ely to be strong and this proved the case but with Foscolo's rink of Graham Cogbill, Gary Eastment and Mike Doyle supporting their skip, they forged into a 12 shot advantage by the 10th end against the wily Reggie Rand.

The rinks of Clarke and Phillips were battling hard and were managing to keep their scores close against some superb

bowling from the opposition and were only two and three shots behind respectively.

Foscolo's rink continued to pressurise their opponents and by the 15th end were 14 shots ahead, 24-10. Clarke's rink by end 15 had fought back to level at 13-13 while Phillip's rink scored 10 shots to one between the 11th and 15th ends to go two ahead.

The afternoon rinks were now leading by 20 shots after 15 ends, leaving Sully with an overall advantage of nine shots. The final six ends went in Sully's favour as Foscolo's rink went on to win 32-14 and Martin Clarke bowling some magnificent bowls to lead his rink to a 23-18 victory.

Unfortunately Phillips' rink were unlucky on the last end, losing by two shots, 18-20.

Credit must go to the Sully players who fought hard but a special well done to the afternoon rinks for making it a resounding Sully win, 131-121, picking up 15 points to Taff Ely's seven points.

The next Championship game is on Saturday, November 15 away to Newport at 2pm.

FP

Llandaff have 'the hex' over Llantwit Major

LLANFAFF continue to be a nemesis for Llantwit Major following a 22-11 defeat away on Saturday.

Again like many times last season clichés galore could be the order of the day, but in general, Llantwit Major just went missing in action on Bishops Field in Llandaff.

The game started at a fast pace and it was Llantwit who created early pressure but when pressing in the opposition half the ball was weakly turned over and Llandaff took off up the field to score a breakaway try. It wasn't long before more end to end play and serious pressure at scrum time allowed Steff Price to crash over for a try in the corner.

Llantwit found themselves with a penalty and this time Ryan Evans took the three points to give Llantwit the lead. As the half petered out Llandaff scored a converted try to lead 12-8 at half time.

Llandaff won the ball and they set off to score another converted try to give Llantwit a nightmare start to the second half. However, Llantwit did claw back a penalty shortly after to cut the deficit.

Llandaff then extended their lead, the game ending in a 22-11 defeat for Llantwit.

NE

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The captain for 2014 was Jason Beddoes and he chose the local charity called Ty Hapus. Ty Hapus is a unique and specialist day time service for people with early onset Alzheimer's disease and other dementias, focusing on those diagnosed under 65

and their families; on the evening a cheque was presented to the founder of the charity, Alun Cummins.

The evening was a great success. It was also a time to reflect on the hard work of the committee – in particular the president Roger Parsons, captain Jason Beddoes and ladies' captain Sarah Gronow.

They have achieved a huge amount in raising money and putting on the various competitions, and having a great year.

MD



Award winner Dan Williams.



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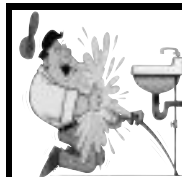
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WINDSOR

William Charles DFC

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Michelle

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JSTKD's newest black belts, from left: Evan Morgan, Joe Lewis, Josh Edwards, Gary Morgan, Ellie Morgan.

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Josh, the youngest member of the group at nine years old, began his training via the JSTKD Ninja Kids programme, as did Evan and Joe who joined when they were just four years old.

Ellie began her training as a junior with dad Gary deciding to 'stop watching and start doing' when he took up Tae Kwon Do for himself five years ago.

Everyone displayed great focus and skill throughout the three hour examination which tested not only their ability to perform the 30 intricate movements of the black belt pattern but also step sparring, free sparring, floor work and breaking techniques.

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Cowbridge youth stun the French champions!



Cowbridge RFC and Toulon youth teams.



Some of the team are pictured grabbing a 'selfie' with Steffon Armitage.

Wales RL take the positives from loss

IRELAND won the final game of the 2014 European Championship, beating Wales 46-14 in Wrexham on Sunday, but it wasn't by the 41-point margin they needed to claim the trophy, 2016 Four Nations and 2017 World Cup qualification.

The young Wales side leave this year's European Championship tournament with no wins on the board, but a lot of positives, the primary one being that a number of Welsh-born players have stepped up to the mark where others were unavailable and have produced some good individual performances.

They'll be competing for places in Wales sides in future years alongside the Super League stars that didn't put their hands up to play on this occasion.

Ireland took the lead on four minutes. A fine run from Ben Johnston set up the try and despite a good tackle from Lewis Reece initially stopping the charge, Will Hope forced his way over from the next play. Liam Finn converted.

The visitors' second came eight minutes later when Brad Hargreaves went over in the corner after a good passing move. Finn missed the kick.

Finn put Luke Ambler through a gap to score Ireland's third on 18 minutes, then Finn duly goalied to put Ireland 16-0 up.

Another strong Irish set resulted in Hargreaves going over for their fourth try of the day on 32 minutes. Finn converted well and the Irish were 22-0 up and halfway to the points they needed to clinch the trophy, and Finn

went over for a deserved try two minutes before the break, converting himself, to put the Irish 28-0 up at the break.

Wales opened the second half well and in their first real dangerous attack of the game, Rhys Williams went over in the corner and Lewis Reece converted.

But the Irish hit back straight away as Hargreaves waltzed over for his hat-trick. Finn goalied to give them their 28-point margin back.

Matty Fozard thought he'd given Ireland more of a mountain to climb on 57 minutes as he grounded well but the pass leading to the touchdown was forward - but Wales weren't to be denied.

An excellent run from Reece created a try on the wing for Dalton Grant, much to the delight of the coachload of fans his father had brought up from south Wales. Reece missed the kick.

Ireland were certainly battling to get those points on the board. Former Scorpions favourite Haydn Peacock was next over the line with Finn converting to make it 40-10.

Poor Welsh marking gave Ireland their eighth try. It was a good length of the field move to give them the position but Casey Dunne was given far too much space to walk it in. Finn converted and Ireland were just five points away from the Four Nations.

But Wales denied Ireland right just before final hooter. Ireland were attacking well and looking for the points that they needed, but Tom Hughes picked up a stray pass on his own goal-line and ran 100 metres for a well-deserved try; Emanuelli missed the kick.

ON Friday, October 31, Cowbridge RFC youth travelled to Toulon to play the double European Champions' Academy side, who were top of the French regional championships with five wins from five.

As if that wasn't sufficiently challenging, the enormity of the task facing the boys was confirmed when the Toulon side fielded a pack whose back five averaged a height of 6'7"!

Nevertheless, the Cowbridge team responded magnificently to the challenge. Led by inspirational captain Dan Holder, the whole squad played with passion, commitment and, more importantly, intelligence, to achieve a quite incredible result.

Despite the size and physicality of the Toulon side, they were unable to

cope with the speed and width of the Cowbridge game and three outstanding tries were scored through Zac Summerhayes, Jonny Hunt, and Matt Locke.

Alex Guard added one conversion and tight head prop Sam Richards landed a sublime touchline penalty from the halfway line to complete the scoring, the game ending 20-5.

Well done to the boys, on a superb performance, an unbelievable result and a fabulous weekend.

Squad: Dan Evans, Alex Guard, Adam Dix, Tom Lucas, Josh Brace, James Bennett, Jonny Hunt, Dan Holder, Lwyd Elms, Marc Herbert, Arran Bowman, Matt Locke, Sam Richards, Connor Wyatt, Jon Nexmand, Will Haines, Luke John, Jack Anderson, Ed Couzens, Greg Jerwood, Zac Summerhayes, Tom Evans, Gabriel Shires, Gareth Petty

PLENTY OF COMPETITION AT LLANDOW KART CLUB

THE penultimate round of Llandow Kart Club's summer championship took place at South Wales Karting Centre with drivers in eight classes looking for a late push for silverware in a meeting that featured both longer heats and a free tyre draw.

The Bambinos were back in action, kicking the weekend off with Nathan Browning and McKenzie Douglas both improving their lap times over the course of the day, and gaining certificates and trophies for their efforts.

The combined Cadet classes produced IAME heat victories for Max Fenlon (2) and Connor Kearney before Fenlon came out on top again in the final. Stuart Ferguson followed Fenlon's lead in Honda Cadet, winning two heats and the final, with George Alp-Williams claiming the remaining race.

Shay Keough completed the IAME podium, with Oscar Ferguson ensuring it was a family 1-2 in Honda by pushing Alp-Williams back into third.

There was no sharing of victories in Junior Honda as Celtic champion Kristian Prosser again claimed a clean sweep of all four races. Usual rival Patrick Hill appeared to be having an off-colour weekend as, having taken second on the road in heat one, he suffered a DSQ in race three, while the ever-improving Jack Bligh edged him in the other heat.

Ben Cutler was runner-up in heat two, but it was Bligh back in P2 in the final, with Hill edging Cutler and Alex Wilkins for the final podium spot.

As usual, Junior Max featured the name of Rob Ellis at the top of the timesheets, but only on three out of four races on this occasion as heat two gave a glimpse of things to come with Minimax graduate Ethan Ling claiming first place. Ellis was back on top when it mattered most, however, with David Spiller also getting the better of Ling by the chequered flag.

In Ling's absence, Minimax honours went the way of Riley Phillips, with Jack Fordham - stepping up from the Cadet ranks - and novice Liam Griffiths filling the podium in the final.

Junior TKM provided a 100 per cent hit rate but, for once, it wasn't Ryan Edwards doing the winning. Instead, Alex Rees came through to claim all four victories, leaving Edwards to scrap it out for minor honours in an eight-strong field, eventually settling for three second places, with Tom Rawlings taking the other.

Sam Johns completed the top three in the heats, but it was Clay Pigeon's Lucas Sullivan joining Rees and Edwards on the podium in the main event as Johns posted a DNF and Rawlings failed to start.

Danny Griffiths returned to winning ways in Senior Honda, but was denied a clean sweep when Cristiano Nardone claimed the victory in heat three.

Nardone remained the biggest thorn in Griffiths' side, finishing second on the road in all three remaining races.

In contrast to the majority of classes, Senior Rotax shared the victories around, with Ashley Lewis, Zach Jones and Gareth Taylor each claiming success in the heats.

However, come the final, it was a new name at the top in every sense of the word as, having been a top three finishers early on, Morgan Rose completed his step up from the Junior Max ranks by shocking the regulars and taking top spot.

Taylor and Sam Morgan completed the podium. The random tyre draw for each class took place during the drivers' briefing and the following club members won a set of tyres supplied by Llandow Kart Shop: Stuart Ferguson (Cadet Honda), Shay Keough (Cadet IAME), Ben Cutler (Junior Honda), Tom Rawlings (Junior TKM), Ceran Sokhi (Junior Rotax), Jack Fordham (MiniMax), Chris Lipscomb (Senior Honda), Sam Morgan (Senior Rotax).

The 10th and final round of the 2014 Llandow club championship takes place on November 16.

RESULTS

CADET HONDA - 1. Stuart Ferguson (Project One), **2.** Oscar Ferguson (Project One), **3.** George Alp-Williams (Project One). **CADET IAME - 1.** Max Fenlon (RK/Birel), **2.** Connor Kearney (Zip), **3.** Shay Keough (Zip). **JUNIOR HONDA - 1.** Kristian Prosser (7Kart), **2.** Jack Bligh (7Kart), **3.** Patrick Hill (Wright).

JUNIOR TKM - 1. Alex Rees (Jade), **2.** Ryan Edwards (Tonykart), **3.** Lucas Sullivan (Tonykart). **JUNIOR ROTAX - 1.** Rob Ellis (Kosmic), **2.** David Spiller (Alonso), **3.** Ethan Ling (CRG). **MINI MAX - 1.** Riley Phillips (Kosmic), **2.** Jack Fordham (Kosmic), **3.** Liam Griffiths (Energy).

SENIOR HONDA - 1. Danny Griffiths (MS), **2.** Cristiano Nardone (7Kart), **3.** Paul Saunders (7Kart). **SENIOR ROTAX - 1.** Morgan Rose, **2.** Gareth Taylor (CRG), **3.** Sam Morgan (CRG). **Best novice:** Liam Griffiths (Minimax), **driver of the day:** Connor Kearney (Cadet IAME).

CRAIG LLEWELLYN

NETBALL SQUADS ARE ANNOUNCED

AT the Cardiff & Vale LA Netball Hub trials over 120 girls attended the under-11 trials, a further 120 at under-13 level and over 70 at under-15 - the selectors knew it was going to be a tough selection process.

The standard of play was high and amazing to see how many talented netballers are in the region, especially coming from the primary schools all over the region.

With this said the main LA Hub squads were selected and a development squad at each age group was selected underneath the main squads for further development.

The successful players to represent the Cardiff & Vale LA Hub are as follows:

Under-11 - Chloe Berrow, Aimee Seaward, Holly Bennett, Mia Nunes, Hannah Davies, Abigail Morgan, Ellie Davies, Megan Hadfield, Mia Davies, Seren Bailey, Anna Griffiths, Emma Ruelle, Megan Skone, Ella Davies, Rebekah Williams, Chalice Colderley, Aimee Eason, Phoebe Mattinson, Sophie Voisey Smith, **Coaches:** Melanie Helleman & Sian Seaward.

Under-13 - Ellie Williams, Beth Edwards, Jessica Gregory, Francesca Coates, Hollie Oakman, Ella Jones, Tia Roach, Helena McCormacy, Mollie Adams, Ella Forsyth, Ophelia Scott, Georgia Helleman, Sophie Anderton, Poppy Rapley, Macy White, Alissa Colderley, Niamh

Sultana, Hannah Williams, Lauren Selman, Bethan Taylor, Olivia Tyson. **Nataya Birchall. Coaches:** Melanie Helleman & Lisa Birchall.

Under-15: Caitlin Vincent, Madison Scott, Megan Pembrey, Aimee Towney, Anwen Fardy, Lowri Evans, Bethany Barrell, Muriel Cole, Emily Skinner, Emily Forrest, Caitlin Taylor, Sophie Rees, Angharad Lion, Olivia Heathfield, Annabel Emerson. **Coaches:** Lisa Birchall & Janet Allen.

The development squad players are as follows:

Under-11 - Leilah Mills, Laura Hawkins, Francesca Inwood, Isabelle Kane Gale, Tia Bullock, Jessica McConkey-Allen.

Under-13 - Imogen Thomas, Ffion Womtor, Mary Isherwood, Ellie McDonald, Mariella Watt, Maisie Harrihy, Mia Sullivan.

Under-15 - Makayla Bourne, Lauren Taylor, Holly Price, Ceri Williams, Kate Pryne, Emily Roots, Imogen Daw, Sarah Jones, Molly Cameron, Chloe Holehouse, Cathrin Roots, Varnah Williams, Megan Roberts.

Congratulations to all these players. If anyone requires any information regarding netball in Cardiff & Vale, please contact Welsh Netball through Twitter - @cardiff&valendo, @welshnetball, @netballnovember.

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LDS TAKES THE TITLE

A Local Business Enjoying National Success

Lyndon Smith and his hard-working team at LDS Motor Factors, a local business operating from branches in Cardiff, Swansea, Barry and Rhondda, are basking in the success of being crowned the '2014 Member of the Year' by the international GROUPOAUTO automotive trading group.

LDS, which will be celebrating its 25th anniversary next March, supplies high quality replacement parts and consumables to more than 500 independent repair garages in the surrounding areas, a service that is vital for the reliable running of the vehicles in their local communities.

LDS has been a GROUPOAUTO member for the last 10 years, which has coincided with the company's most rapid period of growth. In fact over the last ten months it has opened two of its four branches, the most recent only last month, with the acquisition of Normag Motor Factors in Swansea. "The expansion of the business over the last decade is no coincidence," says Lyndon, "as membership of a powerful trading group brings many benefits to an independent business such as ours.

"It has allowed us to benefit from shared experiences and given us access to a wealth of expertise that has helped us to provide a better service to our customers. As a result, our four branches now employ 58 people and are able to respond quickly to the needs of the businesses we supply, who in turn ensure that high quality parts are used to repair the vehicles of the motorists in their areas.

"Being recognised by the group as a whole and chosen from the more than 300 individual member businesses across the entire UK and crowned the 'Member of the Year' is a great accolade and I'm very proud of every member of staff who has contributed to the business, which has ultimately resulted in LDS receiving this award.

"As a business that operates within the community by supplying predominantly local businesses, we also like to be active in the community and so are a major sponsor of Barry Town FC and boxer, Lee Selby. This local outlook helps us to remain relevant to our area and committed to the community, so personal, friendly service is at the heart of our ethos."

For GROUPOAUTO, commercial sales manager, Toby Whewell added: "LDS fully deserve the award of our 'Member of the Year' because they demonstrate all that is good in an independent business working within the structure of a wider group.

"Not only is the business well run and efficient, but Lyndon and his team are willing to get involved and put their all into the various promotions and initiatives that we design centrally to help them in their business. In turn, many of these initiatives then also need to be activated with their customers so that the local garages and ultimately, the motorists that visit them, get to share in the benefits too.

"The fact that LDS embraces all of these elements within the business, which then contributes to making a real difference to the paying public, means they are deserving winners of the '2014 Member of the Year' award."



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Vale trainers Tim and Evan are in form

TIM Vaughan's **Kalimantan** was made an even money favourite for the handicap hurdle at Taunton last Wednesday and, confidently ridden by Michael Byrne, romped home a 15 lengths winner from the

second favourite Positive Vibes.

Twenty four hours later at far flung Sedgfield, Tim's Rev It Up, partnered by Alan Johns, landed the long distance handicap hurdle by one and a quarter lengths from Grape Tree Flame, trained by Pembroke's Peter Bowen.

At Stratford, Evan Williams' Vinnie Red, a 5-1 chance, was a five lengths winner of the novices' hurdle under stable jockey Paul Moloney.

EVAN'S Ayr WINNER

Llancarfan's Evan Williams sent two horses - Sublime Talent and Definite Dream - on a 427 mile

trip to Ayr last weekend and won with one of them.

The former, who carried top weight of 11st 12lbs, could only finish fourth behind the bottom weighted Redpendar in a field of six runners but the latter, seven-year-old Definite Dream, ridden by stable jockey Paul Moloney, won the principal race of the day the £7,798 John Smith's No Nonsense Handicap Chase by one and a quarter lengths from Too Cool To Fool. Definite Dream was well fancied and was returned the 7-4 favourite.

Sean Bowen (17), son of Pembrokeshire trainer Peter Bowen, came in for plenty of praise after winning the Byrne Group Handicap Chase at Ascot last Saturday on the Paul Nicholls trained Ulick Du Lin.

BRIAN LEE

Inter are defeated

BARRY Inter took on Rhiwbina and were on the wrong end of a 4-2 scoreline.

The first half was pulsating and we were at them constantly, being rewarded from a corner that fell to Lloyd who dispatched the ball well. Jacob supplied a good cross that lead to a lovely finish.

We found that this was a hard side to break down, and Rhiwbina soon equalised. We tried to do the right things, playing out from Connor to Aron and then on to Mason or James who would distribute to Eski. Josh and Charlie defended well and Sion put a

full shift in. Iestyn made sure the hard work was done and helped the game flow. Jack was assured on the ball and is growing in confidence every game.

The second half saw Rhiwbina go 3-1 up. We then came back at them through a wide inswinging pass which James got on the end of. A grand finale was on, but with five minutes to go, and with Inter pushing for the equaliser, they rifled in to effectively finish the game off.

Team: Connor, Sion, Aron, Josh, Charlie, Eski, Iestyn, Lloyd, Mason, Jack, James, Jacob.

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CHESS PLAYERS VIE FOR TROPHY!

THE Alec Wood Trophy is awarded annually to the player whose rating has improved the most between July 1 and May 31.

At this early stage of the season Barry currently have three players in the top 40. The award normally goes to a junior player because their ratings increase rapidly from a low starting point with individual coaching and also from the number of rated games they play.

It is particularly pleasing that at the moment Matthew Parry is in third place, being the highest placed adult with an increase in his rating of 126 points.

This week also saw wins for three of our teams - the Camelots and the Gambits both bouncin back to the top of their respective divisions.

The Camelots in division 1 defeated the Aberdare Wasps by the maximum 5-0. This returned them to the summit of the division and gives them a lead of 4.5 points over the Cardiff Castles.

So far the Camelots have won five of their six games only losing to our

own Bosons side. Their fixture against the Castles in December is looking immense.

In the 3rd division the Quarks defeated the Cardiff Crowns 3-2. The Quarks have won four of their five games to date by the narrow margin of 3-2.

They remain in seventh position, 2.5 points above Pentrych who are in the relegation zone. They are also only 3.5 points below the Caerphilly Knights who are in the last promotion spot, but the Quarks have a game in hand.

The star performer so far for the Quarks is Chris Green - he has only been available for three matches but has won them all.

In division 4 the Gambits earned their third victory of the season at St John's College against the Leptons. This division is somewhat disjointed due to the late entry of the Leptons and the North Cardiff Titans.

The Quarks lead the table by 1.5 points after having played six matches but there remain some teams who have so far played only three matches so until they all catch up we do not know how far down the

division we will fall.

The Barry Chess Club meets at 7.30 pm each Monday at the West End Club, St. Nicholas Road, Barry CF62 6QY. The club is open to players of all standards; whether you are interested in playing competitive chess or just the occasional friendly games.

New players are very welcome to just turn up on the night but if you contact one of the club members through the website we can explain what is happening on the night you have in mind, and arrange for someone to greet you on your arrival.

For more details visit our website at: barrychessclub.yolasite.com.

PHIL JONES

RECENTLY the Cadoxton and West End Schools of Tae Kwon Do held their third colour belt grading of the year.

The grading took place at the Victoria Park Community Centre, where 20 students from both clubs were put through their paces by Master Ron Thomas 8th Dan.

The exam consisted of all aspects of this Korean Martial art, patterns, set sparring, floor work, Focus and power, finishing with theory test.

The grading was a success with all 20 students passing their grading 4 of which achieved top grade "A" passes - they were Lucia Cunningham, Charlie Rogers, with Cameron Evans and Rhys Perrett the deserved winners of the club's grading shields.

Successful candidates were: Promoted to 9th

kup Orange belt: Deagan Stockford, Ella Bedford, Maci Connell, Riley Rees, Bailey Rees, Danielle Perrett, John Campbell, Tristan Smith.

Promoted to 8th Kup

Yellow belt: Charlie-Jade Rogers, Emily Miles, Kiera Watson-Wood.

Promoted to 6th Kup Green belt: Courtney James, Leo Cummins. Promoted to 5th Kup Blue stripe: Ethan Andrus, Cameron Evans.

Promoted to 4th Kup Blue belt: Lucia Cunningham. Promoted to 3rd Kup Red stripe: Martin James, Jessica Blackley. Promoted to 1st Kup: Joel Wells.

Pictured above, with their instructors and grading examiners, are the successful candidates.

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Barry and District Ladies Skittle League

Here are the results for week commencing October 13:

First Division: Allsorts (A Dawes 32) 295, Family Affair (Davies 31) 289; Coppers (J Williams 36) 337, Pila Palas (L Williams 32) 318; SV Gals (J Richards 27) 256, Castaways (M Winder 36) 267; Special Angels (T Scully 26) 261, Barry Stars (W Phillips 32) 249; Colcot LDS (S Howcroft 27) 248, Family & Friends (R White, G Brown 28) 275; Red Admiral (S Hayes 27) 225, Bakers Dozen (Anne Haines 28) 249; Space Finders (A Norman 34) 329, Cigar LDS (N Lawrence 35) 351.

Second Division: Strikers (G Giles 22) 211, Witchill Weebies (S Edwards, S Robinson 22) 200; Roller Coasters (N Burgess 25) 202, SV Lights (C Ames 25) 219; Witchill Widows (A Doel Davies, L Young, M McKinney, M Curry 30) 323, After Eights (P Bryant 33) 316; Clickies (K Mergas, M Williams 28) 296, Divas (C Jenkins 28) 272; Vixens (C Wilson, L Gray 27) 269, Rhooose Starlights (J Ocknell 29) 277; Bobby's Girls (P Solomon 29) 271.

Breakaways (C Parfitt 31) 287; Castle Bandits (D Collard 29) 267, Cad Con Fillies (T Clements, S Chilcott 25) 241.

Third Division: Rhooose Ravers (J Arnott 30) 235, Persuaders (S Dixon 29) 271; Jolly Dollies (K Partridge 22) 206, Dolly Mixtures (T Rowsell 28) 170; Airways Angels (L Thomas 27) 231, Hill Billies (G Moorcroft, S Aspinall 26) 209; Witchill Wanderers (C Morrissey 310 259, Westenders (B Goddard 31) 325; Rugby Triers (M Wilson 28) 254, Friends & Neighbours (E Western 25) 218; S V LDS (S Barry 29) 303, Merry Makers (M Payne 29) 290; Lil's Devils (L Bowsher 26) 240, Etcetera (C Mackintosh 26) 219.

Fourth Division: Odd Bods (V Avient 24) 192, Fallen Angels (T Lawrence 27) 243; Twilights (S Ellis 24) 195, BFFs (M Pring 27) 210; Rebels (S Williams 24) 211, Off The Rails (J Tuttsel, T Sims, L McCormack 22) 220; Challengers (L Morgan 26) 256, Boozy Birds (S Rudeforth 28) 232; Wyndham Witches (V Walters 29) 251, Labelles (C Knight, R Clogg, E Cordy, J Williams 27) 272.

Fifth Division: Barry Ravers (L Hodder 26) 171, Socialites (S Marks 25) 217; Smurfs (K Mason 27) 218, Optimist (E Playle 32) 185; Park Belles (R Ham 28) 239, Aristocrats (Mave Rogers 27) 209.

The Barry & District men's skittle league

DIVISION 1:

Barry Park 'B' (R.Bishop, N.Stephenson 30) 276, Ex-Servicemen (S.Smith 23) 244; Blue Monkey (R.Fox 27) 257, The Hairy Lemons (J.Silvey, D.Phillips 27) 287; Geest (T.Zahra 30) 286, Colcot Boys (B.Sullivan 28) 265; Mighty Dockers (P.Burroughes 26) 236, Ex-Servicemen (D.Stevens 26) 261; Park Lads (G.Jones 29) 244, 49'ers (A.Wall, D.Whittaker 26) 280; Park Rangers (D.Sage 27) 282, Blue Monkey (R.Fox 30) 277; West End Stars (A.Baker 26) 257, Bunker Boys (B.Hewitson 32) 289.

Division 2: Buffs Exiles (B.Poyrer, T.Griffiths 26) 259, Abercete (T.Card, M.Watts 26) 237; Exiles (T.Williams 29) 284, Sea View (D.Britton 30) 280; Posties (T.Gray 29) 280, Barry Social (T.Richards 27) 255; The Royalists (G.Evans 30) 268, Road Runners (B.Smith 29) 280; Tynnewydd Lads (A.Wright 31) 288, Willie Wombles (P.Taylor 31) 282; Tynny Fliers (J.Thomas 26) 257, Buffs Exiles I.Dowdell, B.Saunders 29) 291; Witchill Poachers (R.Connell 34) 341, Tynnewydd Lads (S.Germon 37) 257.

Division 3: Billy Whizz (A.O'Brien 30) 275, Castle Boys

(Eveleigh 30) 250; British Rail (T.Williams 27) 267, C.U.D. (C.Perkins G.Sheppard 27) 254; Cannon Balls (T.O'Sullivan 30) 303, The Alternatives (D.Brdick 37) 299; 'H'Bells (K.Lewis 30) 232, West End Fliers (R.Morgan, M.James 31) 279; The Alternatives (J.Davies, A.Harris 25) 260, British Rail (K.Brown 30) 282; The Rejects (P.Edgar 36) 299, Commachies'2' (C.Reed 29) 254; West End Fliers (M.Nway 27) 225, Cannon Balls (T.Sparks 25) 253.

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Dinas Powys Golf Club ladies' section

ON October 7, an 18 hole stableford was played - first, Ann Mahenthirlingam 40 pts; second, Sue Bridle 35pts; third, Maxine Hird 34pts. Nine hole stableford - first, Angela Thomas; second, Terry Unwin.

On October 21, captains vs secretaries held a nine hole competition in a matchplay format with just three clubs being used - a wood, an iron and a putter usually known as a whip. In a close match the secretaries were the overall winners, winning 5 and 1/2 pts to 4 and 1/2 pts; all the ladies on the secretaries' team were presented with a prize.

On October 28, a nine hole Turkey Trot was held - first, Sue Bridle 46-9.5=36.5 nett; second, Audrey Harwood 51-12=39 nett, on back 6 from Ann Mahenthirlingam 45-6=39nett.

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Holly's Celtic Manor triumph



Holly with coach John Hastings

For 17-year-old Cowbridge student Holly Pitcock, October 2014 will be a month she will never forget.

Firstly she was elected junior captain at her club, St Andrew's Major, and then finished runner-up at the club's recent awards evening for the most improved junior golfer of 2014.

To round off her eventful month, Holly captured the Shelter Cymru Mini-Masters Open at the Celtic Manor Resort, winning by a margin of nine shots.

To reach the final she had to come through two qualifying rounds which

were held at Caerphilly and Builth Wells.

She has attributed her success to the excellent junior coaching programme at her home club and the help she's had from her coach, John Hastings.

"Without John's help I'm sure I wouldn't have won this final," she commented.

Holly would like to thank Shelter Cymru for giving her the chance to play at different venues, with the highlight being the grand final held at the Ryder Cup venue; everyone who took part in the Mini-Masters collectively raised £7,000 for Shelter Cymru.

JH

The Barry Leisure Centre hosts sports sessions for disabled

THIS half term, disabled children from the Vale took part in sporting activities at Barry Leisure Centre which included water polo, dodgeball and light aerobics.

The morning started off in the pool with lots of fun water-based activities. Barry Leisure Centre provided a swimming instructor who helped the group improve their swimming strokes before they transferred these skills into a competitive game of water polo.

The sessions could also help the staff at Barry Leisure Centre spot any potential swimmers who could join their Disability Swimming Academy which is run in partnership with Swim Wales.

The activities provided suited all the participants who ranged from the age of three upwards. They were

accompanied in the pool and sports hall by the Vale Council Play Workers, as well as disability sport volunteers.

After the swimming activities had finished, the group moved on to the main hall at Barry Leisure Centre where they took part in a very competitive game of dodgeball, followed by light child friendly aerobics which again were organised by the staff from Barry Leisure Centre.

Simon Jones, Disability Sport Wales development officer for the Vale, commented: "It's brilliant to see people using their local facilities which can provide suitable and enjoyable activities for all."

"The centres have a wide variety of facilities that the public can use and hopefully these half term activities will lead to more groups using the leisure centres throughout the year."

A terrific turn out for table tennis tournament

OVER 100 pupils turned up to take part in the Vale Council's 5x60 table tennis tournament at Bro Morgannwg Comprehensive School.

The tournament saw pupils from across the Vale attend, including students from Stanwell, Cowbridge and St Cyres schools.

There were 16 teams taking part split into

three groups, a boys' year 7 and 8 competition, won by Stanwell, a girls' year 7 and 8 competition, won by Cowbridge, and a boys' year 9 and 10 competition, won by Barry Comprehensive.

The winning teams will now advance to the regional competition held by Sport Wales.

5x60 officer, Chris Ferrier, said: "It was a fantastic event, which was well attended and is an excellent way to build the profile of table tennis

within the Vale."

5x60 aims to get secondary school pupils more active more often by encouraging them to exercise for at least 60 minutes, five days a week.

The Welsh Government funded initiative is run by Sport Wales and is supported locally by the Vale of Glamorgan Council's Sports and Play Development Team.

FAMOUS RIDERS FROM THE VALE John Llewellyn

COWBRIDGE farmer John Llewellyn is a legend in point-to-point circles.

He rode 270 winners between the flags, the first of them on Highland Myth at the Pentrych Hunt Steeplechases at Penlllyn back in 1967.

The farmhouse where he was born was on the site of the old Cowbridge Steeplechase course, which had seen the likes of the famous Anthony and Rees brothers. Some of John's early successes were gained at the same venue when the Glamorgan, Llangainor and Pentrych hunts all held their point-to-points in the 1950s and 1960s before moving to St Hilary.

Although he started race riding at 16, he amazingly didn't ride his first winner until he was 20, which surely tells us something about his determination to succeed. John had a habit of making point-to-pointing history.

In 1982 he became the first Welshman to win the national riders' championship outright, with a then Welsh seasonal record of 19 winners. He won the Welsh riders' championship on a number of occasions

and also enjoyed success when riding winners under rules at racecourses such as Cheltenham, Hereford, Sandown Park and Chepstow.

It was on the last named racecourse in front of a big Welsh crowd that he had a memorable win on the late Grenville Richards' Fixed Price in the 1986 Land Rover Gentlemen's Championship Hunter Chase, to become the first Welshman to win the race.

John, who farms at Newlands Farm, St Mary Church, Cowbridge, certainly had his share of falls. Four broken collar bones, a broken shoulder blade, hip and leg injuries and not to mention wrist and other 'minor injuries'.

Of the changes in the sport he says: "The standard of riding has improved since my days

and most racecourses are better laid out and there is more emphasis put on safety of riders and horses."

During his long and esteemed race riding career, he rode some of the best horses in Wales and these included Mandryka, Gemmerley Jane, Fitz, Cloud Castle, Proud Prince, Timber Tool, Beau Hawke, Radio Cue and Parkbride, names that will be music to the ears of most point-to-point enthusiasts.

A credit to the sport in Wales, he was the recipient of a special award for his services to hunt racing in the 1990s.

However, in his native Wales, he has yet to be recognised by the Welsh Sports Hall of Fame; these days he is in demand as a steward at a number of meetings throughout the season.

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Barrivale results

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Barry RFC work hard to maintain their unbeaten run

HISTORY will tell you that having a week off is not the best thing for Barry 1st XV, who seem to have to get rid of the cobwebs before they play to their potential.

This was certainly the case last weekend against St Albans when, for the first 35 minutes, they struggled to master neither their opponents or the blustery conditions.

Playing into the wind in the first half Barry were guilty of over-complicating their game, playing into the hands of a determined Buns side. Things weren't helped by the loss early on of captain Tanner who was replaced by Glyn Jones.

The game was becoming a stalemate despite determined efforts from Adams and Evans, and far too often the game was being marred by what seemed to be constant stoppages for penalty infringements by both sides.

The visitors finally opened the scoring from a penalty awarded for a high tackle. Barry began to exert pressure up front and gain some territory against the elements.

Several attempts to get over the try line were thwarted and it required a penalty in front of the posts to bring the game level just short of halftime.

The final move of the half saw Barry take the lead when the ball was chipped ahead by Perry and gathered by the following Provis to run in a well worked try, which, with the conversion by Scott, gave the home team a five point lead.

Having to reorganise following yellow cards, Barry had to be at their defensive best to repel the attacks of the visitors as they sought to maximise their numerical advantage.

Over-eagerness to do this caused them to go further behind after conceding a penalty kicked again by Scott. With the elements in Barry's favour, the visitors' only option was to keep the ball in hand.

A quick penalty was taken by the Buns and when this broke down the ball moved out to the wing for White to finish well from some 50 yards out, with the extras being added by Scott.

With the visitors making every effort to run, it was inevitable that mistakes would occur, and from yet another breakdown Perry found himself free to cross for a try - again the extras came from Scott.

The final try of the day



The push is on in the scrum as Barry RFC faced off against St Albans. PICTURES BY HOWARD POOLE.

was created by Scott, whose huge pass, missing out both centres, was taken by Provis who crossed for his second try to give Barry the bonus point they needed, and a win by 32 points to 3.

A good win in the end in what were trying conditions, where everyone played their part including substitutes Poole, Ryan and Williams.

With the autumn internationals starting this weekend, the players have a four week break before their next game at Taffs Well on December 6.

This date coincides with the Christmas Draw

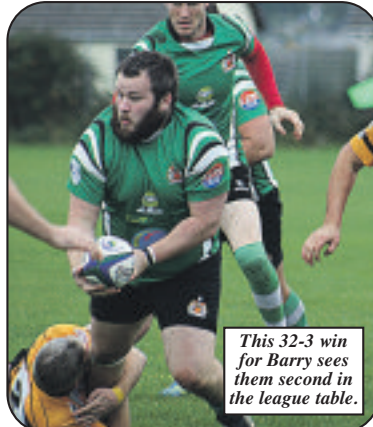
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It is with great sadness that we have to announce the passing of Chris 'Topper' Oxenham following a short illness.

Chris had been both a player and member of the club for over 50 years and will be sadly missed by everyone.

The club send their sincere condolences to Caroline, Sean, Peter and their families.

AJ



This 32-3 win for Barry sees them second in the league table.

Good weekend for MMG teams

MMG travelled to Penarth looking to carry on from last week's victory.

Losing two players to injury in the warm up, and a last minute reshuffle to the starting 11, wasn't the best preparation for the game, and this showed with MMG starting slowly and struggling to get a foothold in the game.

With the pitch in poor condition, Penarth seemed to cope better with their direct long ball tactics, causing the MMG backline problems. MMG kept plugging away, not wanting to steer away from passing the ball and trying to play football.

This paid dividends when Dimitri Fallas fired home a shot from 30 yards out, which the Penarth goalkeeper was unlucky not to save. MMG nearly doubled their lead when Michael Fallas, not wanting to be outdone by his brother, fired a 30 yard volley which the goalkeeper managed to tip over the bar.

The rest of the first half was played out with MMG passing the ball around but with no real end product. MMG started the second half a lot brighter and were in full control of the game, passing the ball confidently and chances were being created.

A second goal was added when a great run and cross from Anthony Connell was finished emphatically by Dimitri Fallas to double his tally for the day.

Penarth got one goal back from a well-struck free kick and this seemed to spur them on. They started to grow into the game but an organised defensive line from MMG made sure that nothing was going to get through.

Paul Eveleigh came on to replace the injured Tim Lendor at

the heart of the defence and provided solidity when Penarth really started to put on pressure.

A chance for Penarth to draw level was scuppered when a fantastic one-on-one save was made from stand-in goalkeeper James Spear. MMG nearly added a third goal when Anthony Connell raced clear but his shot skimmed the outside of the post.

The game finished 2-1 and although it wasn't one of MMG's best performances this season, they stuck together and ground out the result.

Man of the match was awarded to goalkeeper James Spear who when called upon was brilliant as MMG's last line of defence.

MMG B scored three goals for the third game in a row, with the difference this week that they kept a clean sheet against Cadoxton Imps.

MMG got straight on the front foot and were pressurising the Imps from front to back. Man of the match Dave Evans was a constant thorn in the side of the Imps' defence.

MMG had a few good chances before a throw from Evans was quickly put back to him by the veteran Leon Butler for Evans to hit a great cross which player-manager Lee Galsworthy finished with a glorious header into the top corner of the net, leaving the keeper no chance.

The game stayed 1-0 past halftime with the Imps keeper pulling off some great saves and the solid, if not a little tired, back four of Dave Allen, Paul Edwards, Morgan Rodgers and Andrew Mason holding firm. In fact, MMG keeper Ross Liddiard only had one save to make which he picked up at his feet.

The second goal came when Masons forced a corner which the Imps failed to clear; a good touch and shot on the turn was duly dispatched by Drew Burniston.

Barrie Coslett then had a chance to increase the lead when he smashed the ball against the bar from 10 yards. Mason was replaced by Johnny Martin, who rolled back the years with a steady display.

Then came a masterstroke by manager Galsworthy. He could see that Elliot Cayton was tiring in the middle of the park and switched Elliot to the left wing and himself into the middle. This had an immediate impact.

The Imps keeper took a goal kick which was won by the manager himself, flicked on by Coslett with Cayton belying his tired legs to run on to the ball before beating the full back and finishing into the bottom corner.

With the points wrapped up Butler dropped back to centre half with Edwards moving into midfield. He had a great chance to make it four before Cayton took the ball off his toes and rifled it against the bar.

MMG controlled the remainder of the game and the score remained 3-0. Cadoxton Imps played their part in an entertaining game and a big thumbs up to the referee who had a great game, letting the game flow as much as possible.

The next game for MMG B is away to FC Pumas at the Sports Centre. MMG would like to thank their sponsor BRT International for their continued support.

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Barry captain James Saddler (left) and secretary David Cole (right) show their respects

Remembering 'The Fallen' at Jenner Park

A minute's silence was observed at Jenner Park last weekend, as the footballers of Barry Town and Chepstow paid their respects to the casualties of the Great War.

Joined by representatives of the Royal British Legion, Barry captain James Saddler and secretary David Cole laid a wreath at the centre circle ahead of kick-off, on what was the club's second annual Armistice Memorial Day.

With 2014 marking a century since the start of the conflict, the Town also honoured one of its own, with the induction of former player, Major James Wightman, into its hall of fame.

Wightman, the team's original captain, was a mere 25 years old when he was shot by a German sniper at the Somme, passing away several days later.

The match itself was a highly-entertaining affair, with the visitors twice taking a first-half lead, only to be pegged back by goals from



TJ Nagi attacks the Chepstow defence.

Barry's TJ Nagi and Dale Howarth.

Howarth, the club's player of the month for October, then doubled his tally before the interval, putting Gavin Chesterfield's side 3-2 ahead and into the driver's seat.

The second period saw Chesterfield introduce midfielder Rob Blatchford, a signing from Aberdare earlier in the week. Blatchford, who scored twice against the Town in October's Welsh Cup tie, has already made more than 100 appearances in Barry colours in previous spells, and looks to be a

choice addition to this season's promotion-chasing squad. Ultimately though, the last word would go to winger Howarth, who completed his first hat-trick for the club to seal all three points.

Unbeaten Barry now sit on top of Welsh League Division Two, with 25 points from nine games, ahead of Saturday's trip to Croesyceiliog (2pm kick-off).

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All square between Dinas and Cwmbran

DINAS POWYS took on Cwmbran Celtic at home.

After a slow start by both sides Cwmbran began to take control of midfield and had three shots which were all off target in the first 10 minutes.

After 15 minutes Cwmbran's number 11 Owen Llewellyn saw his shot at goal superbly blocked by Dinas centre half James Marr; this was the first clear chance of the game.

Dinas Powys started to dominate possession and after 25 minutes Ben Ah-Mun picked up the ball on the left side of the penalty area, cut inside and shot towards goal, which was well saved by Cwmbran keeper Lewis Watkins. Dinas were unable to capitalise on the rebound and the ball was cleared.

Leading up to halftime the game was end to end, with both defences playing well. Then in time added on a lapse on concentration by Dinas full back Luke Swarfield saw Cwmbran centre forward Luke Lewis unmarked in the box and he struck the ball against the underside of the crossbar and in, beyond Dinas keeper Jack Perks.

Five minutes after the break Dinas centre forward Ah-Mun intercepted a pass between the two Cwmbran centre halves and attempted to lift the ball over the advancing keeper. The ball spun off the keeper's arm towards the

goal but bounced against the post, away from the forward, and was cleared by Ben Luck.

Both teams made substitutions and with Dinas pressing for the equaliser gaps started to appear for the Cwmbran forwards and after 70 minutes Luke Lewis slipped the offside trap and advanced on goal.

Dinas captain James Bloxham managed to get back and made a challenge on the edge of the area, winning the ball to save a certain goalscoring opportunity.

Dinas continued to press and Cwmbran's keeper had to be at his best to save Nicky Bruce's swerving half volley. In the 89th minute Cwmbran gave away a free kick and Dinas sent everyone forward.

Nicky Bruce's precise free kick found Atif Bashir, who powerfully headed the ball into the roof of the net for a well-deserved equaliser.

There was just enough time left for Dinas to have one more chance and substitute Sam Johnson struck a ferocious 20 yard shot which was parried by Watkins and eventually cleared.

The final whistle saw the end of an equally contested game and although the draw was a good point for the home side, Dinas probably felt they deserved all three. The match ball was sponsored by The Murch Post Office.

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As Wales launch their latest challenge to the southern hemisphere against Australia, in the first of four autumn clashes, coach is right to warn that a 'big three' scalp now is not the be all and end all

Autumn matches are important, but... 'WE MUST NOT TAKE OUR EYE OFF RUGBY WORLD CUP BALL!'

*'Tis a lesson you should heed
Try, try, try again
If at first you don't succeed
Try, try, try, again'*

THE familiar 19th century school proverb attributed to one Thomas H Palmer has a particular resonance when it comes to Welsh rugby's repeated, and largely unavailing, attempts to finally reverse southern hemisphere dominance.

While this certainly remains true in the case of Kiwis and Springboks, there is yet a nagging belief that Wallabies remain the Wales team's best chance of breaking the big

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three's bulldog grip, notwithstanding that Australia have won no fewer than 26 of the 37 meetings (with one match drawn) since 1908, and have rattled up 864 points, compared to the Welsh total of 562.

Despite the bleak-seeming statistics, honours were fairly even until the 1987 Rugby World Cup, where Wales edged out the shell-shocked men from Oz (22-21) in the third place play-off at Rotorua; though of the 22 matches played since then, Australia have won 20, with Wales triumphant on two home occasions – Grand Slam years 2005 (24-22) and 2008 (21-18).

In fact, more recently narrow margins have become the norm – a bare handful of points again separating them in the last seven close-

fought encounters – with Wales often in command, but agonisingly unable to clinch victory right at the death.

In the 2011 Rugby World Cup, Australia avenged the 1987 defeat with a 21-18 win in the third place play-off at Eden Park, New Zealand; followed by a 24-18 autumn victory in Cardiff. Then came their nail-biting three-Test summer triumphs Down Under (27-19; 25-23; 20-19), before again squeaking home (14-12) at Cardiff's Millennium Stadium that autumn.

Finally, they added to mounting Welsh frustration in last year's autumn international at the Millennium Stadium by ruthlessly snatching a 30-26 victory from the home team's grasp, literally in the dying seconds of a match that, in truth, Australia had never looked like winning.

Little wonder then that as the Australians descend on the Welsh capital city for this Saturday's last encounter before the teams meet again in Pool A at next year's Rugby World Cup in Twickenham, Wales head coach Warren Gatland has clearly primed his troops for a sustained effort to overcome what has been a persistent failing, with the RWC tournament firmly in mind.

"We are definitely good enough to beat Australia," he insists. "It's just having the experience and nous to close those games out, especially when we are in the lead. What we are doing (in the four autumn internationals) is running through a lot of those scenarios to make sure we are fully prepared..."

Nevertheless, the candid Kiwi has also been at pains to stress that while the upcoming autumn games against Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Fiji (another Pool A opponent) are, of course, very important – as is the Six Nations in the new year – "I don't see any point in winning every game and not qualifying from our RWC group. For us that is paramount..."

"The players have been told to treat the World Cup like the Olympics... Our whole focus is on making sure that we qualify and get out of our pool," he avers.

This, of course, is unarguable and one can understand it is a difficult balancing act, but there is still almost a year to go to the tournament – and as England (who are also in Pool A) proved in RWC 2003 – a successful pre-Cup run against major rivals gives the squad a priceless psychological lift, as well as nurturing a vital winning mindset for the testing, and infinitely more important, campaign that lies ahead.

By the same token, a string of dismal, pre-tournament setbacks would hardly be conducive to raising the team's (and also the fans') morale – in the run-in to RWC 2015.

Thus, despite Gatland's cautionary words, there can be no doubting the Welsh camp's serious intent, not just regarding the four autumn tests – "we want to win every one" – but also the subsequent Six Nations.

After near civil war that almost split Welsh rugby asunder finally settled into an uneasy truce (much ultimately depends on how well erstwhile adversaries – newly-elected WRU board chairman Gareth Davies, a leading figure in the four professional Regions, and

group chief executive Roger Lewis – work together), the coaches warn against drawing any comfort from Australia's own off-field troubles and strife.

If anything, the shock resignation by Oz chief coach Ewen McKenzie and his late-hour replacement by Michael Cheika would make the tourists "more dangerous", points out Wales' assistant coach Robert Howley:

"Sometimes events off the field do not reflect what happens on it. The Australian team will come out knowing that we are in the same World Cup group in less than a year's time and will want to put a marker down. They have a knack of being clinical, and have a great skill set. It will be no different on Saturday."

"They play fantastic rugby and probably should have beaten New Zealand in their last test. They came up short in the last 90 seconds (losing by one point). We've been there – we've got the t-shirt!"

The seemingly light-hearted aside reveals the Welsh camp's true order of priorities and focus of attention on their continuing Achilles heel in these autumn tests against the three leading teams in the world, with RWC 2015 very much in the coaches' mind.

While it goes without saying that Welsh players, like all others, want to win every match they play – as Alun-Wyn Jones reiterated earlier this week – the understandably obsessive media interest in a southern hemisphere 'scalp' *per se*, is a pressure Gatland & Co could surely do without. The whole emphasis, in fact, is on... "being totally clinical and composed when it matters most, particularly in the final moments of a game – the key ingredients for us over the next four weeks. That's the biggest area we need to improve on, especially against southern hemisphere sides," Howley affirms.

The giant strides made since Gatland took over the helm in 2008 have turned Wales into a genuinely competitive force to be reckoned with on the world scene, but closing out tight games has all too often proved beyond a still young squad that has yet to acquire the ruthless self-confidence that marks out the southern hemisphere giants from the rest.

This weekend, the Welsh camp will hope that the team announced on Tuesday will start to prove that this vital piece of the jigsaw is at last in place.

One thing we can be quite sure of, they will not be heeding the inimitable WC Fields' own take on that familiar proverb quoted earlier... "If at first you don't succeed, try, try, try again – then give up..."

WALES team v Australia
Leigh Halfpenny (Toulon), Alex Cuthbert (Cardiff Blues), George North (Northampton Saints), Jamie Roberts (Racing Metro), Liam Williams (Scarlets), Dan Biggar (Ospreys), Rhys Webb (Ospreys), Paul James (Bath), Richard Hibbard (Gloucester), Samson Lee (Scarlets), Jake Ball (Scarlets), Alun Wyn Jones (Ospreys), Dan Lydiate (unattached), Sam Warburton (c), Taulupe Faletau (Newport Gwent Dragons).

Replacements: Scott Baldwin (Ospreys), Gethin Jenkins (Cardiff Blues), Rhodri Jones (Scarlets), Bradley Davies (London Wasps), Justin Tipuric (Ospreys), Mike Phillips (Racing Metro), Rhys Priestland (Scarlets), Cory Allen (Cardiff Blues).

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